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NCC TO TRAIN 10,000 CADETS TO DEAL WITH CYBER ATTACKS

National Cadet Corps will train a group of 10,000 'cyber warriors' who can contribute to bolstering India's digital defence mechanism

SPECIAL HUBS FOR TRAINING IN THE OFFING

NCC has also planned to train one lakh cadets as first responders in the wake of natural disasters, Director General, NCC, Lt Gen Virendra Vats said at a press conference on its Republic Day Camp 2026 in New Delhi.
It has started work on raising four to five hubs across the country where select cadets can be trained on drone and counter-drone aspects

CADETS TO BE LINKED TO NATIONAL DATABASE

- These cadets will be known as Yuva Apda Mitras, and they will be trained and linked with the national database, so that the services can be used by the nation in case of need in future, Vats said
- NCC plans to increase its strength from 17 lakh to 20 lakh in a phased manner, and is looking to achieve this goal by 2028

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OF THE NCC'S TOTAL CURRENT STRENGTH COMPRISES GIRLS

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U.S. SNATCHES MADURO

Venezuela Prez, wife being taken to New York in dramatic coup; US will run country for now

A videograb of a blaze in Caracas on Saturday after US bombing; and President Trump releases the first photograph of Nicolas Maduro on board the USS Iwo Jima en route the US | X/AP

AGENCIES @ Caracas

THE United States captured Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro and whisked him out of the country in a brazen and surreal military operation early Saturday that plucked a sitting leader from office.

President Donald Trump said US will "run" Venezuela until a political transition takes shape, and he would tap Venezuela's gigantic oil reserves to sell to other countries.

The action marked the culmination of an escalating Trump administration pressure campaign on the South American country that consisted of months of strikes on boats that officials said were smuggling drugs to the US.

Behind the scenes, US officials tracked Maduro's behavioral habits, including what he ate and where he slept, in preparing for the stunning regime change. The 'extraction' in Caracas, codenamed 'Operation Absolute Resolve', took months of rehearsal and more than 150 US aircraft, including F-18, F-22 and F-35 fighter jets, B-1 bombers and drones, top US General Dan Caine said.

In a series of fast-moving events, Caracas was rocked by seven explosions, accompanied by sound of attack helicopters, 2 am local time (11.30 am IST). The strikes, which targeted a major military base and an airbase, among other sites, continued for nearly an hour.

Trump described Maduro as being "highly guarded" in a presidential palace that was "like a fortress." Maduro had nearly made it to a safe room inside it, Trump told reporters, although "he was unable to close it." American forces were armed with "massive blowtorches," which they would have used to cut through steel walls had Maduro locked himself in the room, Trump said.

"It had a safety space, where it's solid steel all around," Trump said. "He didn't get that space closed. He got bumrushed so fast that he didn't get into that. We were prepared."

Trump said Maduro and his wife were flown by helicopter to a US warship and would go to New York to face charges. He later posted on Truth Social a photo of Maduro in a gray sweatsuit, protective headphones and blindfold.

Trump scotched any expectation that Opposition leader Maria Corina Machado herself should emerge as Venezuela's new leader. She doesn't have "support or respect" there, he said. Trump indicated he could work with Maduro's deputy, vice president Delcy Rodriguez, saying "she's essentially willing to do what we think is necessary to make Venezuela great again." P14

AVOID TRAVEL, SAYS MEA ADVISORY

The Ministry of External Affairs urged Indians to avoid all non-essential travel to Venezuela. It asked Indian nationals to contact +58-412-9584288 in case of an emergency

Govt aiming to bring ELCITA under GBA or B'luru South dist?

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

DIRECTIONS from Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar and senior officials of the Urban Development Department to the Electronic City Industrial Township Authority (ELCITA) to share details of property tax collection are being seen as a move to either merge ELCITA with the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) area or push the IT belt into the administrative limits of Bengaluru South District, which was earlier Ramanagara, in the coming days.

ELCITA has also been told to inform the government whether its funds are being spent on the development of panchayats around the IT hub.

The direction was reportedly issued at a review meeting chaired by the DCM on Saturday at the Bengaluru Metropolitan Regional Development Authority (BMRDA) head office on Ali Asker Road. Chief officers of six town municipalities — Anekal, Bommasandra, Hunasamaranahalli, Chikkabanavara, Chandapura and Jigani — attended the meeting and briefed the DCM about the developmental activities and revenue capabilities in their limits.

ELCITA, with an annual tax collection of Rs 29 crore, manages its own affairs -- from processing waste to maintaining roads to caring for its trees.

The meeting also discussed how building and construction plans are approved within ELCITA limits.

"ELCITA has the authority to give planning and construction approvals. But now, UDD is likely to step in. We have no clue what is happening in ELCITA. How it is being run and who is running it. There is no clarity on whether the people at the top of the hierarchy are appointed by the government. To address all these issues, a review meeting was held," said a top UDD official.

ELCITA officials like Chairman V Veerappan, Chief Administrative and Security Officer Col Aniruddha N Gudi and a few other representatives also attended the meeting.

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SC order on Khalid's bail tomorrow

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court will on Monday pronounce its order on the bail petitions of Umar Khalid, Sharjeel Imam and five others in the 2020 Delhi riots larger conspiracy case.

They were booked under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 and provisions of the Indian Penal Code for allegedly being the masterminds of the riots. A two-judge bench comprising justices Aravind Kumar and N V Anjaria had reserved their verdict on December 10.

The verdict comes in the wake of New York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani writing a note to Khalid, recalling his words on 'bitterness' and the importance of not letting it "consume one's self".

Parallelly, eight American lawmakers wrote to Indian Ambassador to the US Vinay Kwatra on December 30, urging a fair and timely trial for Khalid and others in accordance with international law and bail for the duration of the court's proceedings.

RIPPLE EFFECT

KKR DROP BANGLADESH PLAYER, FOCUS SHIFTS TO T20 WORLD CUP TIES

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

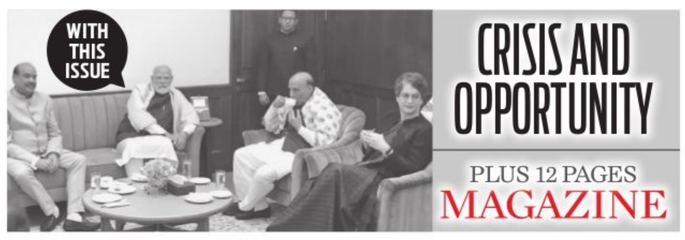
AMIDST the rising criticism over signing Bangladesh seamer **Mustafizur Rahman**, Kolkata Knight Riders released the player from their IPL 2026 squad following instructions from the cricket board. On Friday, Shah Rukh Khan and his franchise came under severe attack from certain quarters for buying the Bangaldeshi bowler.

The BCCI on Saturday said that it has instructed the franchise to release the Bangladesh player citing current situation in the country.

What seems to be even more interesting is that Bangladesh would be playing four matches in India — three in Kokata, one in Mumbai — during the T20 World Cup starting next month. Bangladesh Cricket Board has already called for an emergency meeting on Saturday night. If the matches do get affected, then the entire World Cup schedule might have to be rejigged. Pakistan, which refused to play in India because of security reasons, will play in Sri Lanka. As for KKR, it confirmed "that the BCCI/IPL, as the regulator of the IPL, has instructed it to release Mustafizur from the squad ahead of upcoming IPL season. The release has been carried out following due process and consultations."

KKR had signed Rahman for ₹9.2 crore in the auction last month — the only Bangladeshi player to get picked — but had come under criticism on social media and from political parties owing to turmoil there.

Shortly after BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia said that they have asked KKR to release Rahman, the franchise confirmed the development. The BCCI said that KKR would allowed a replacement. "Due to the recent developments that are going on all across, BCCI has instructed the franchise KKR to release one of their players, Mustafizur Rahman of Bangladesh," Saikia told a news agency.



Fund crunch may force 600 unaided Kannada schools to shut down

RASHMI PATIL @ Bengaluru

WHILE thousands of government schools are on the verge of closure, the picture is no different for unaided Kannada medium schools. Around 600 such schools and colleges are on the verge of shutting down because of lack of funds to pay the salaries of teachers or to develop their infrastructure.

Teachers from these schools have now written to Minister for School Education and Literacy Madhu Bangarappa, asking him to release funds to clear their salaries.

Santhosh, a teacher at Vanitha Kannada High School in Kirthi Nagar, Bommanakatte, in Shivamogga, said, "The last time that an unaided school was converted into aided was in 1995. The last time that grants were given by the government to provide salaries for teachers was also the same year."

He said, "We don't charge a single rupee from students at our school, but provide quality education. If the schools shut down, many teachers will lose their jobs and over 6,000 children will be impacted. More importantly, there will be no Kannada schools which are as important as English medium ones. P7

In five years, more tigers died outside protected reserves

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

INDIA'S tiger conservation success story has a flip side. More big cats are dying outside protected reserves than inside them. Latest data from the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) shows that of 166 tiger deaths in 2025 in India. 88 deaths or 53 per cent were recorded outside a protected tiger reserve. (see table).

In all, around 51% of 725 recorded fatalities in the last five years occurred outside tiger reserves, driven by the fact that about 30% of the country's tigers now roam freely outside notified protected areas and exposing them to risks like human conflict, road accidents, electrocution and poisoning.

A senior NTCA officer, who asked not to be named, pointed to severe staffing shortages. "We're stretched thin in the field. Our forensic labs are understaffed too, which delays sample analysis and slows our response. That's partly why poachers aren't caught and prosecuted quickly enough."

The backlog tells the story. While 24 tigers were confirmed killed by poachers in 2019, five cases from that year remain under investigation.

Tiger deaths outside protected forest areas

YEAR	TOTAL MORTALITY	OUTSIDE	% OF TOTAL MORTALITY OUTSIDE
2025	166	88	53.01
2024	126	65	51.58
2023	182	100	54.94
2022	122	52	42.62
2021	129	64	49.61

The pending cases have shot up: from 37 in 2020 to 58 in 2021, 51 in 2022, 64 in 2023, 67 in 2024, and 140 in 2025.

The latest State of Tiger report confirms one in five staff positions remain empty across tiger reserves. Some locations are missing 40% or more of required protection personnel. Twenty reserves reported inadequate anti-poaching staff.

The rising number of tiger deaths outside protected areas prompted the Environment Ministry to launch a pilot to manage human-tiger conflicts across 10 states, with an allocation of ₹88 crore. "This pilot scheme doesn't address the core issue of staff shortage," said the officer.

3/4 OF ALL TIGERS IN INDIA
India hosts 75% of the world's tiger populace. As per All India Tiger Estimation 2022, India's tiger population is 3,682. India has 58 tiger reserves

EXPRESS READ

14 Maoists killed in Chhattisgarh encounters

Sukma/Bijapur: At least 14 Maoists, including wanted ultras Vetti Mangdu and Madvi Hunga and six women, were killed in separate encounters in Sukma and Bijapur districts in the Bastar region of Chhattisgarh on Saturday | P12

6 cops hurt in mob attack during raid on TMC leader

Kolkata: Six policemen were injured after a mob attacked them during a raid at the residence of a local Trinamool Congress leader Musa Mollah on Friday night. Mine persons have been arrested in connection with the incident | P12

ALMANAC TODAY

- **Sunday:** 04.01.2026 • **Year:** Vishwavasu • **Ayana:** Dakhsinayana
- **Ritu:** Himanth • **Masa:** Pausa • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Prathami 2.16 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Punarvasu 5.27 pm • Moon in Kataka Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
- **Gulikakala:** 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER

MIN 16°C | MAX 28°C

FORECAST Broken clouds

Sunrise 06.42 am
Sunset 06.06 pm
Moonrise 07.12 pm
Moonset 07.30 am

SMALL SPACES BIG HARVESTS

A training session under way for beginners at GKVK

GKVK trains city dwellers to take up urban gardening and grow their own food

RASHMI PATIL @ Bengaluru

AMID rising concretisation in urban areas and lack of clean water to grow vegetables, fruits and any agricultural produce, Gandhi Krishi Vigyan Kendra (GKVK) is organising an Urban Gardening Training Programme for people across all age groups, especially homemakers, so that gardening is not just a hobby but also a means to grow vegetables organically, without using pesticides or insecticides.

Dr S V Suresha, Vice-Chancellor, GKVK, explained, "Though our clients are farmers, we thought we could expand our client list this time by training homemakers and others in urban gardening. The urban gardening programme mainly focuses on homemakers. Besides, we have come across research studies showing that consuming vegetables and fruits grown using pesticides and water that contains heavy metals has impacted physical and mental health. Therefore, we thought of conducting sessions with experts, resource persons who are already into it and help homemakers cultivate vegetables in small quantities for self-consumption."

He added, "We conduct these sessions in the nursery, which is available on our campus itself. So far, we have conducted eight sessions, and each session has 30 participants who come from various backgrounds, including retired employees, homemakers and a few youngsters who are curious to know how to make compost, potting and repotting, duration of providing water to plants and more." When asked that potting, repotting and even making compost can be learnt from videos on YouTube, Suresh said, "Many people who come for our sessions have admitted that despite seeing these videos, they weren't able to grow vegetables and fruits successfully. They might have failed to understand how to prepare compost or have watered the plants too much, which resulted in them dying. They might have failed to understand the importance of repotting, integrated pest and disease management, ways to grow flower and indoor plants and more. This is where our sessions come in."

Apart from training, participants are also provided with a kit that has microbes, pots for preparing compost at home, a book 'Garden Tips' that has over 100 tips to help urban gardeners deal with issues in urban gardening, and other items. Suresh suggests, "In case of a lack of space to make their own garden, we have suggested that people develop community gardens on empty sites or make space on terraces in their apartments."

Success stories in Bengaluru

Rajalakshmi KS (60), a homemaker and insurance agent, has benefitted from this training programme. She said, "I have had a home garden for four years now, but lately the plants I cultivated needed to be nurtured. I looked out to see if there are any training programmes to learn the nuances of urban gardening. I learnt the methods of repotting and its importance. Now, I have started repotting."

For instance, Rajalakshmi has been growing passion fruit in her garden. "I have been able to grow 100 to 150 passion fruit every year which we consume at home and distribute to friends. Usually, flowering starts in June, and we get a good yield in July. I have also grown okra, malabar spinach (basale soppu), brinjal and colocasia leaves (kesuve), with which we make delicious pathrode. We also get to visit the homes of people who have been successful in urban gardening."

Meanwhile, Srinivas Murthy, a resident of Indiranagar, has a full-fledged urban garden which he has cultivated on his terrace. Reddy said, "It's been four years since I began cultivating a garden at home. My wife and I keep trying new methods to grow plants. That is why I attend sessions of urban gardening which can help me learn and unlearn tips. I have cultivated all types of vegetables, including cabbage, cauliflower, brinjal, palak, radish, ridge gourd and others. I have also grown kanakambara flower, which is popularly called 'firecracker'." Srinivas said it is disappointing when plants are destroyed by continuous rain. "I feel disheartened to see them die, and I understand the emotions farmers go through when their crops are destroyed due to rain or drought. In case of urban gardening, since we grow plants in pots, they cannot be watered beyond a certain limit. When there is continuous rains in the city, most flowers, fruits and even vegetables die. I make sure to plant them afresh."

Radish

Sweet potato

Spinach

Arid Koppal now a hub for exotic fruits

Want to have a taste of Japan, China and Malaysia? Head to Koppal, Kushtagi and Kanakagiri where guided by the state horticulture department, local farmers have transformed arid patches into thriving orchards

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Koppal

A dry district's farmers are increasingly growing exotic fruits like Japan's Miyazaki, Chinese orange, Rambutan, Malaysian Guava, Litchi, Plum, Star Fruit and many more using drought-tolerant varieties and smart farming, transforming arid lands into productive orchards.

These fruits are now being grown at dry lands of Koppal, Kushtagi and Kanakagiri taluks in the district. Over the last five years, farmers and entrepreneurs have realized the potential for exotic fruits and new varieties for both domestic and international markets.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has identified 10 exotic fruits of commercial importance and has instructed state horticulture departments to expand their cultivation last year. But in Koppal, horticulture department had started exotic fruits plantation awareness a decade ago.

Several farmers in Koppal district got training from the horticulture department. The department is now aiming to make the district a horticulture hub. Several farmers are now growing Japan-based Ruby Roman Grapes and other exotic fruits. Farmers in Koppal, one of the backward districts of North Karnataka, have now become a role model for others.

Farmers in surrounding districts who visit here say that they have not even heard the name of the fruits but Koppal farmers are growing them and are making profit from the venture.

The horticulture department has been guiding the farmers about the planting of foreign fruit saplings for more than a decade. Led by senior horticulture director Krishna Ukkund, teams have been visiting farmers' places and giving them tips on how to grow them and get a handsome profit.

Koppal farmers recently got to know more about the fruits during the Mango Mela. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had inaugurated the Farmer Producers' Organisations for farmers at Methagal three months back.

Those who have been growing mango are now interested in growing exotic fruits. This year many mango growers are happy as they got a good crop.

Bharat, a farmer said, "We were initially skeptical about growing exotic fruits. But Ukkund said if we lost money, he will pay the saplings money of Rs 2 lakh to us. Eventually we got a profit of Rs 10 lakh."

Ukkund said, "We have been creating awareness about the foreign fruits for the last few years. Now several farmers got profit after growing Miyazaki and other fruits. Koppal will soon become a hub for foreign fruits in Karnataka."

Trend came from NRIs

Non-Resident Indians who started visiting organic fruits mela and mango mela in Koppal observed rare varieties of fruits in Koppal. Several of them asked for foreign fruits. The horticulture department arranged for the saplings. Officials then created awareness about exotic fruits among farmers.

Who buys foreign fruits

NRIs and software professionals from Bengaluru, Hyderabad and Pune visit Koppal to buy exotic fruits. Wholesale buyers, agents and exporters from Bengaluru give bulk orders to send fruits to Goa, Maharashtra, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh and several other states.

Stunning transformation

Kushtagi, Kanakagiri and Koppal taluks are drought-prone. The horticulture department identified such lands and held awareness programmes for farmers. Initially farmers said this was not possible as they were dependent on rain. Then officials organised training programmes. Now villagers are transforming dry lands into productive fruit farms by adopting water-efficient methods, natural farming and drought-resistant crops with government support for water conservation, turning barren areas into profitable ventures with fruits like dragon fruit and creating sustainable livelihoods despite water scarcity.

GBA assures Kogilu slum dwellers of housing aid

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GREATER Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao said the GBA will provide the necessary financial assistance under the single house scheme. He said the district administration is conducting a detailed inspection of the slum houses demolished in Kogilu. The eligible dwellers will be rehabilitated once the report from Deputy Commissioner is submitted. Rao said both GBA and Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Limited (RGHCL) have finalised the list of beneficiaries. A verification from Ashraya Committee to finalise and clear the names is pending. He added that the decision of home allotment is from the Ashraya Committee.

Reacting to the questions about the poor conditions of maternity hospitals under GBA, he said that 10 hospitals are being upgraded for upto 50-bed capacity under Rs 350 crore grants. "If a maternity home is closed, it means an upgrade is being made, or when they get only one of two deliveries a month, those cases are referred to referral hospitals. Directions have been given to officials to hire nursing staff and offer full-fledged services once upgraded," he said.

Speaking about the development of roads, Rao stated that important roads across five city corporations will be developed in 2026."Ten important roads in each city corporation will be developed and maintained this year," he said.

Eco-friendly lake development, flood control on GBA agenda

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THE Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao said that GBA is exploring boating in some of the lakes in Bengaluru and directed the officials to coordinate with tourism department officials. The Chief Commissioner said, "I have directed all departments concerned and five city corporations to place nature-based and eco-friendly principles at the core of all developmental activities specially when dealing with lakes," he said.

The Chief Commissioner instructed the officers concerned to coordinate with the tourism department to develop lakes as public attractions while preserving their ecological balance.

"Keeping in mind the ecologically sensitive subject, directions have been given that diesel or fuel-based boats shall not be permitted in any lake. Only non-polluting alternatives shall be introduced, and the boating system shall be designed to ensure zero pollution and minimal disturbance to aquatic life," said Rao. The Chief Commissioner also contemplated releasing ducks in water bodies and directed officers to examine the feasibility of introducing ducks in lakes, as ducks are natural aerators and contribute to the improvement of water quality. "The entire responsibility of duck rearing and maintenance shall be entrusted through tendering for accountability and legality purposes," said Rao.

In view of recurring urban flooding, necessary directions have been given to identify the flood-prone locations along the valley and come up with appropriate nature-based flood mitigation solutions be prepared.

"Immediate precautionary measures, including de-silting of storm water drains, removal of blockages, and restoration of natural drainage systems, shall be taken up on priority," he said. He further added that the departments concerned were instructed to prepare a short-term flood mitigation plan, detailing works that can be completed within four months, with focus on critical and vulnerable locations to minimize flood impact during the monsoon.

Traffic advisory issued for Chitrasanthe

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TRAFFIC movement will be restricted on both sides of the road from Windsor Manor Junction to Shivananda Circle between 5 am and 10 pm on Sunday in view of the 23rd Chitrasanthe. Vehicles from Mourya Junction and Anandrao Circle towards Windsor Manor should proceed straight at Race View Junction and take Race Course Road via Trilight Junction, Basaveshwara Circle, Old High Grounds Junction and T Chowdaiah Road before reaching Windsor Manor. Vehicles from T Chowdaiah Road towards KK Road should proceed from Windsor Manor Junction, reach Old High Grounds Junction and LRDE, take a right at Basaveshwara Circle. Vehicles from Old High Grounds Junction towards Windsor Manor Junction should proceed from Windsor Manor Junction towards RP Road.

Preparations under way for Chitrasanthe on Saturday| **SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA**

Vehicles from Nehru Circle towards Trilight Junction, can take the Steel Bridge from Nehru Circle. Vehicles from PG Halli Vehicles towards Shivananda Circle are advised to take the route via Old High Grounds Junction, LRDE, Basaveswara Circle, and Race Course Road. Parking facilities for four-wheelers have been arranged on Railway Parallel Road, Crescent Road from Gururaja Kalyanamantapa to Hotel Janardhan on the western side, and Race Course Road from Trilight Junction to Mourya Circle on the eastern side.

A 23-year-old factory worker was allegedly murdered by his friend after a trivial issue escalated into a fight. The incident took place at the rented house of the accused, Nikhil (25), at Bashettahalli village in Doddaballapura Rural police limits early on Thursday. The deceased, Sumantha Jamindara, hailed from Odisha. Nikhil allegedly slit Jamindara's hands and other parts of body before hitting his head with a heavy object

Special court rejects plea to acquit censor board officer

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

GRAFT CASE

THE Special Court for CBI Cases refused to discharge Prashant Kumar K, the then Regional Officer of the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC), Bengaluru, from a case involving the receipt of a bribe to issue a censor certificate for a movie, in 2023.

"The prosecution has placed sufficient materials against accused No.1, Prashant Kumar, showing his active involvement in the alleged offences. Therefore, considering the statements of witnesses, documents collected during the investigation, material objects, all along with charge sheet materials, it is seen that there is a prima facie material to proceed with trial against him", said Judge Manjunath Sangreshi, Special Court for CBI Cases, dismissing the application filed by Prashant Kumar.

The court said that it is not proper to come to a conclusion at this stage that there is no prima facie case made out against him without giving an opportunity to the prosecution to prove its case about the guilt of the accused in the alleged crime.

According to the CBI, Prashant Kumar demanded Rs 15,000 from the complainant, A V Nagaraju, through middlemen for issuing a censor certificate for the movie 'Adavi' produced by him under the banner 'Samvidhana Cine Combines'.

Accordingly, the screening of the movie for obtaining a certificate was arranged on November 20, 2023, in a studio at Malleshwaram in the city. After screening, some observations/ remarks noticed in the movie and suggested for cuts, for which accused No.2, Pruthviraj, an assistant director of serials who acted as middlemen, was persistently convincing the complainant on behalf of Prashant Kumar, to pay Rs 15,000 bribe and get cleared minor issues observed and get issued certificate for the movie.

As the complainant did not want to pay a bribe, he approached the CBI with a complaint against the accused. Accordingly, they laid the trap and caught the accused persons while accepting a bribe of Rs 12,000. The CBI submitted the charge sheet on June 25, 2024, against four accused. Hence, the applicant moved the court seeking discharge from the charge-sheeted offences.

CRIME PATROL

Two Chennai youth held for misbehaving with women

Bengaluru: Two 22-year-old youths from Chennai were arrested by the Vidhana Soudha police for misbehaving with four women and manhandling a policeman who questioned them outside a pub on Dr BR Ambedkar Veedhi. The incident was reported around 1.45 am on Thursday, when the duo, reportedly drunk, misbehaved with the women who were waiting for a cab. One of the victims reported it to K Ravi, a police constable who was deputed for New Year security. When the constable questioned the accused, they argued and tore his reflector jacket. The duo were then taken to the Vidhana Soudha police station in a Hoysala patrolling vehicle. The accused who refused to cooperate in the investigation were identified as Ansh Mehta of Kilpauk and Parv Rathi from Perambur, Chennai. Both were remanded in judicial custody. An officer said the two had completed their graduation in the city and returned to their hometowns after working for a brief period. They had come to the city on Wednesday night to celebrate the New Year, and were residing in a room in Bommanahalli.

Man held for sexually harassing woman doctor in Chikkabanavara

Bengaluru: The Soladevanahalli police have arrested a 21-year-old man for allegedly sexually harassing a 28-year-old doctor near her PG accommodation in AGB Layout, Chikkabanavara, in the early hours of December 17. The crime occurred between 12.40 am and 1 am when the victim, who works at a private hospital in the area, was walking back to her PG. Police said the accused approached her on a white scooter and asked for directions to a nearby bus stop. After she pointed the way, he rode ahead briefly, returned after ensuring no one was around, and sexually harassed her. When the woman screamed for help to alert passersby, the accused fled the spot on his two-wheeler. The accused has been identified as Rakesh, a native of Tumakuru, who was staying with his mother in Bengaluru. He is unemployed. Police said he had come to Chikkabanavara to meet an acquaintance when he noticed the woman walking alone. "Based on CCTV footage from the area, we tracked and arrested the accused. There are no previous cases against him," a police officer said.

Lokayukta court quashes bail pleas of ACP, inspector

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

THE Special Court for Lokayukta Cases dismissed the bail petition of Shivanna, PSI of Chikkajala police station in the city. The reason was that the court records revealed that accused was the fifth officer from the police station who was caught by the Lokayukta Police within a short period. This was evidence for the rampant corruption at the Chikkajala Police Station.

Judge K M Radhakrishna said citizens have stated losing hope and faith on the system "The corrupt activities in general have become part of the official duties in the police stations. This kind of public service is no longer required" he added. Shivanna tried at Special Court for bail after he was trapped and arrested by the Lokayukta police on December 23, 2025, as he had accepted a bribe of Rs 2 lakh from the complainant.

He had demanded the bribe from the complainant to file a 'B' report in a crime against him and also Rs 1 lakh for closing the rowdy sheet against him. The judge also shared his observation that the people are hesitating to approach the police stations with their grievances, unable to face the heat of corruption. Judge Radhakrishna stated that the record goes to reveal that Shivanna retained Rs 50,000 out of Rs 2 lakh allegedly received and parted a sum of Rs 1.50 lakh to the Inspector, towards the claimed repayment of the loan borrowed from him.

BAIL PLEA OF ACP ALSO REJECTED

The Special Court also rejected the bail petition of Malleshwaram Sub-Division ACP, H V Krishna Murthy, in the city. He was trapped and arrested by the Lokayukta police after he had accepted Rs 30,000 from the complainant-hotelier, out of Rs 50,000 he demanded to allow him to run the business beyond the time limit on December 24. The ACP stated that the complainant placed the bribe in the table drawer in his antechamber when he went to the washroom. He claimed that he neither demanded nor acceptance the bribe. Considering the objections raised by the prosecution, and prima facie materials showing that the accused official committed the offence, the court said that the custodial interrogation is a matter of necessity till the statements of the witnesses are recorded, to ensure a fearless atmosphere and effective investigation.

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The University of Mysore will confer honorary doctorate (honoris causa) on noted Kannada film director S V Rajendra Singh Babu, Karnataka State Human Rights Commission chairman Sham Bhat, and educationist and Global Education Trust chairman P Jayachandra Raju during its 106th annual convocation, scheduled to be held on January 5

RSS GUIDING FORCE BEHIND REPEAL OF MGNREGA, SAYS CM

K'taka Cong plans protests across the state to press for the withdrawl of VB-G RAM G Act

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday claimed that the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) was the guiding force behind the Modi government's replacement of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) with the Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Act.

"It is against the Constitution. What Manusmriti preaches is that women, Dalits and Shudras should not be empowered financially, should be allowed to live a life of dignity but remain as slaves. RSS, which draws inspiration from Manusmriti, guided the government in taking away power from villages and keeping it centralised in Delhi," he said.

A day after the state cabinet decided not to adopt VB-G RAM G and constitute its own rural employment guarantee scheme, Siddaramaiah held a press conference at his residence with Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge, Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa, Women and Child Welfare Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar and Agriculture Minister N Cheluvarayaswamy.

With the Congress top brass planning to corner the Centre on the issue, the Karnataka leadership declared that until the Modi government restores the MGNREGA like it repealed the three farm laws, they will launch protests across the state.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah hands over an appointment letter to a woman candidate selected for a post in the Karnataka Legislative Council, in Bengaluru on Saturday. For the first time in the history of the Council, a written examination was conducted by the KEA to recruit officers and employees for 28 posts | EXPRESS

"MGNREGA, introduced when Dr Manmohan Singh was prime minister, was not just about providing employment to people, it was a historical decision. It was a stepping stone to make Mahatma Gandhi's Gram Swaraj dream come true. Godse killed Mahatma, now for the second time, the BJP-RSS killed him by removing his name. There should be no hatred. Was Gandhi's Gram Swaraj dream and bringing freedom for the country wrong," he asked.

He said BJP's achievement in eleven-and-a-half years of being in power is to either change the names of welfare programmes launched by the UPA or repeal them. "They have done this with about 30 programmes like Nirmal Bharat changed to Swachh bharat, Indira Awas to PM Awas and Planning Commission to Niti Aayog. They have stopped many programmes meant for the country's development," he added.

The CM said he wrote to Modi on December 30, 2025, urging the latter to repeal VB-G RAM G and restore MGNREGA to protect the employment rights of women and Dalits and to revive panchayat autonomy.

He pointed out that under Section 5(1) of VB-G RAM-G, employment would be provided only in areas notified by the government, with no guarantee of work through gram panchayats.

Rs 3,000cr burden on state's exchequer

Siddaramaiah said because of the Union government shifting the funding pattern from full central assistance to a 60:40 sharing ratio, it would burden the state's exchequer with approximately Rs 3,000 crore annually.

"The decision violates Articles 258 and 280 of the Constitution and undermines India's federal structure. It also violates the 73rd amendment that empowers panchayats," he said.

Gift Gandhi's portraits to Cong: DCM to BJP

DCM D K Shivakumar advised BJP state leaders to gift the portraits of Mahatma Gandhi, if at all they have in their offices, to the Congress. "BJP leaders have lost the moral right to talk about Gandhiji. They have not even retained the right to keep Gandhiji's photo in their offices," he said. "BJP leaders have lost the moral right to sit in front of Mahatma Gandhi's statue and fight. They have lost the right to put Mahatma Gandhi's photos in their offices. What right do you have after removing his name from the MGNREGA? You have no right to talk about Mahatma Gandhi and garland his statue. Give us the photos that you have, we will keep them in our house where Gandhiji will be respected."

AN ACTION-PACKED YEAR AHEAD...

THE new year started with a positive note for the embattled Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who is all set to surpass veteran Congress leader Devaraj Urs's record of being the longest-serving CM of the state for 7.6 years (2,792 days). Breaking the record on January 7 assumes special significance for the Congress leader and state politics, as it comes amid speculation over the leadership change. He now sets his eye on further strengthening his own record by presenting the 17th state budget.

As we bid adieu to 2025, marked by political uncertainties, we step into the new year, which promises to be politically action-packed, with many significant developments that would have long-term implications, deciding the course of state politics in the future.

The leadership issue would be settled one way or the other. No decision will also mean a decision. The status quo on the leadership issue would be a clear signal for Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar to wait a little longer. The DyCM's followers are hopeful that the change is imminent.

The CM and the DyCM are likely to meet the Congress central leaders including Rahul Gandhi in New Delhi on January 11. Those privy to the developments maintains that the agenda of the meeting is not clear, but the leadership change is not off the table.

The uncertainty will linger on until the Congress high command announces its decision unambiguously and follows through. That would continue to be one of the core issues for the opposition BJP-JDS combine to target the Congress government and set a narrative against it.

With assembly elections in neighbouring Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Puducherry likely to be held in the coming months, the Congress will be extremely cautious about its political moves in Karnataka.

As electioneering in Kerala gains steam, its heat is felt in Karnataka. The manner in which the state administration announced its decision to provide houses to those evicted from the government lands in Bengaluru, after it became an issue in Kerala, showed how touchy Congress is about developments in Karnataka impacting its prospects in elections in neighbouring states.

While giving houses to the homeless is an administrative obligation, the manner and the speed at which the decision was announced raised several questions: Will the government take a similar stand in future when encroachments are cleared? Why is it not showing the same alacrity and humanitarian approach to provide houses to all homeless people in the state?

While trying to deny a political issue to its I.N.D.I.A bloc partner Left Democratic Front (LDF), which is the main political adversary of the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) in Kerala elections, the Siddaramaiah's government seems to have entered into a fresh controversy.

After facing flak, the government is now scrutinising applications from those evicted from the government land. The government needs to handle the issue deftly.

The other major issue that is likely to rock the state politics in the coming months would be the Socio-Economic and Education survey, or the caste census report. It is expected to be submitted soon by the Karnataka State Commission for Backward Classes. Given the manner in which dominant communities had reacted to the leaked contents of the 2015 survey report that was eventually binned, the new survey, too, is likely to create a political storm. Vokkaligas and Lingayat communities, which are numerically dominant in South and North Karnataka regions, respectively, had expressed concerns over the undercounting of their population and improper sub-classification of castes.

The timing of the new report will be crucial. Many in the political circles feel that if the report comes before the leadership issue is settled, it could help strengthen Siddaramaiah's position, as his supporters project him as the champion of minorities, backward classes, and Dalits.

Apart from the Congress's internal developments, the survey report would have far-reaching implications on the state's politics and governance. It would be prudent for the commission to do due diligence on the processes adopted and be fully transparent, so that it inspires trust and minimises the scope for doubts and skepticism.

While the caste survey report is bound to stir a political debate, another report that is being eagerly awaited by people of the North Karnataka region is that on addressing the regional imbalance. The committee, headed by economist M Govind Rao, is expected to submit its report in the next few weeks. The implementation of its recommendations could be part of the state budget announcements. This will be the most significant report after Prof DM Nanjundappa's committee report submitted to the state government in 2002. It had identified 117 taluks as backward, and the implementation of the report had started in 2007-08. However, after nearly two decades of implementation, the regional imbalance still continues. The Govind Rao committee is expected to look at the reasons and suggest measures to address them.

On the political front, the local body elections, including polls to the five corporations in the newly formed Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) and Zilla Panchayats and Taluk Panchayats, are likely to generate a lot of action. Keen to have full control over the five corporations in the state capital, the ruling Congress has already begun its work, and the BJP and JDS have also set the ball rolling.

Elections aside, a large number of people from economically weaker sections in rural areas could find themselves in crosshairs of Centre-State politics. Siddaramaiah government has slammed Centre's move to replace MGNREGA with the Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Act, 2025. A lot depends on its stand on implementing the new Act.

Reddy's assassination bid claim a drama: DKS

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DEPUTY Chief Minister and KPCC president D K Shivakumar on Saturday blamed Gangavathi MLA and mining baron Gali Janardhana Reddy for the violence that rocked Ballari, asserting that the city had remained peaceful until Reddy's return.

He strongly defended Congress Ballari City MLA Nara Bharath Reddy and assured him full support of the party.

Speaking at a joint press conference with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Shivakumar said there had been no disturbances in Ballari prior to Reddy's return after the Supreme Court lifted the ban on the MLA's entry. "After he came, violence broke out. He has no moral right to comment," he said.

Clashes erupted on January 1 between supporters of Congress MLA Bharath Reddy and Reddy over banners related to the unveiling of a Maharshi Valmiki statue on January 3. The violence led to the death of a Congress worker, Rajashekhar, registration of FIRs on both sides, heavy police deployment and the suspension of Ballari Superintendent of Police Pavan Nejjur.

Shivakumar said maintaining peace in Ballari is the government's top priority and stressed that those responsible would be punished following a proper investigation. He defended the Valmiki statue programme and questioned objections to posters put up across the city.

Ballari District in-charge Minister Zameer Ahmed Khan and MLA Nara Bharath Reddy meet Chief Minister Siddaramaiah at Torangallu Airport on Saturday, and brief him on the Ballari clash | EXPRESS

Accusing Reddy and former minister B Sriramulu of being unable to accept the Congress's electoral victory in Ballari, Shivakumar alleged that attempts are being made to revive their past dominance. He dismissed claims of an assassination plot against Reddy as "drama" and announced the seizure of all licensed firearms in the district for verification. A party committee, headed by former minister and chairman of guarantees program H M Revanna and consisting of members like Raichur MP Kumar Naik, former MP Jayaprakash Hegde, MLCs Jakkappanavar and Basavraj Badarli and Challakere MLA T Raghumurthy, has been constituted to study the incident, he said, adding that efforts are under way to restore normalcy in the district.

Sometimes, BJP workers put posters in front of my house too in Bengaluru. Can I say 'don't do it'? They do it even in front of the CM's residence

DK Shivakumar, DCM

FIRs have been registered based on complaints and counter-complaints. The CM has ordered a high-level probe, and I have issued instructions

G Parameshwara, Home Minister

CONG GIVES RS 25 LAKH TO VICTIM's FAMILY

Kiran Balannanavar @Ballari: District in-charge Minister Zameer Ahmed Khan on Saturday handed over a compensation of Rs 25 lakh on behalf of the Congress to the family of Rajasekhar, the Congress worker who was killed in a shooting incident during the clash on Thursday. Khan visited the residence of the deceased in Hussain Nagar along with Ballari City MLA Nara Bharat Reddy, Kampli MLA J N Ganesh and District Congress President Allam Prashanth and offered condolences to the family. The leader assured Rajasekhar's mother, brother and wife that the party leadership stands firmly with them. They said it was their responsibility to ensure housing for the family and encouraged them to use the compensation amount to start a small business. Later, speaking to reporters, Khan described the family's situation as distressing. He noted that Rajasekhar, the eldest son, had been the main support of the family. While his father had earlier run a hotel, the family was now in need of assistance. The minister said as per the family's request, a house will be constructed for them under a slum board scheme.

Suspended SP found recuperating at Sira farmhouse

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ON Saturday, speculation swirled over the health of Ballari Superintendent of Police Pavan Nejjur, who was suspended within 24 hours of taking charge by the state government following a deadly political clash. Said to have been deeply distressed by the developments, the IPS officer was seen at a farmhouse in Tumakuru.

His suspension followed a clash between BJP and Congress supporters in Ballari on Thursday evening where a Congress worker died by a gunshot wound. Police sources said that immediately after the incident, Nejjur had reviewed the law and order situation and rushed to the spot within 30 minutes after alerting senior officials. Despite following the protocol, there was no immediate response from higher authorities, forcing him to act on the ground with limited backing, the sources added.

Pavan Nejjur

On Saturday, Nejjur was found recuperating at a farmhouse at Agrahara in Sira taluk of Tumakuru district. The farmhouse is owned by his IPS batchmate and former Ballari SP Shrihari Babu BL. Babu told reporters that Nejjur is stable and there is "nothing to worry" about his health.

Sources said Tumakuru SP Ashok KV visited Nejjur and later discussed the issue with Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, who was in the district. However, Ashok denied having any information, adding to the haze surrounding the episode.

Unverified reports of a suicide attempt by the suspended SP further heightened tension within the force. Senior police officers are said to be under severe stress, with many privately questioning how an officer barely in the saddle was made the fall guy for a politically charged breakdown in law and order.

PINK POWER

Asha workers seek minimum wage of Rs 10,000 per month as promised by the state government a year back, during their protest at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

FORMER IAS OFFICER QUESTIONS CREDIBILITY OF EC SURVEY

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IN a scathing indictment of the Election Commission of India (ECI), retired senior IAS officer and election reform advocate M G Devasahayam has questioned the credibility and sanctity of a survey commissioned by the poll body to assess public trust in elections and EVMs, calling it an exercise by an "interested party" to certify itself.

Speaking to The New Indian Express, Devasahayam, coordinator of the Citizens' Commission on Elections (CCE), said, "How can the Election Commission commission a survey about itself? What credibility can such a survey have?"

He pointed to the timing and manner of its release, noting that the survey was conducted nearly a year after elections and selectively shared with the media six months later. "What sanctity does it hold?" he asked.

Raising alarm over public concerns about "spurious injection of votes", Devasahayam demanded that the ECI first answer questions about the lakhs of votes spuriously added.

He said a scrutiny of the survey's methodology, particularly the nature of questions asked, needs to be explained and said, "If anyone asks a leading question will they not get the answer they are seeking?" He also slammed the minuscule sample size -- just 50 voters per Assembly constituency where there are 2 lakh voters or parliamentary seats where there are about 20 lakh voters -- calling it grossly inadequate to reflect ground realities.

He alleged that the agency which conducted the survey is headed by an individual linked to the Prime Minister's Office and the RSS grassroots network. "What fairness or objectivity can we expect?" he asked.

A long-time critic of opaque EVM systems, Devasahayam renewed his call for verifiable paper ballots and greater accountability, as debates over electoral transparency and institutional independence intensify nationwide.

Prof Kaushik Majumdar, Systems Science and Informatics Unit, Computer and Communication Sciences Division, Indian Statistical Institute, Bengaluru centre, said, "It is essential to retain and count the verifiable slip of each voter after casting the vote. Because of technological opaqueness of electronic voting to the general voters, the German supreme court judged electronic voting unconstitutional in 2009. While this is so in much more technologically advanced democracies, conventional paper ballot voting continues to be followed for the reason that every voter has the right to be convinced about all the steps in the entire election process."

Based on the report of a departmental investigation into theft of teak wood from the Kajur Reserve Forest, conducted by Assistant Conservator of Forests Ganashree of the Forest Mobile Squad, Kodagu Circle Conservator of Forests Sonal Vrishni has suspended Deputy Range Forest Officer Chandresh of the Hudugur division. The case has so far led to the arrest of 10 persons

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65-acre tree park to come up at Baiyappanahalli

Green space to be superior to Cubbon Park, Lalbagh, says minister

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A 65-acre tree park will be developed at the state-owned NGEF factory at Baiyappanahalli and the first phase of the project will be open to the public in March, said Minister for Large and Medium Industries MB Patil on Saturday.

The park will feature an entrance plaza, elevated walkways, cycling tracks, water cascades, springs and fountains, a food court, children's play area, pet-friendly zones and other essential infrastructure.

Speaking after visiting the premises and inspecting the ongoing works along with senior officials, the minister said, "Tree Park is being developed in four phases – Phase 1, 1A, 1B, and Phase 2 – at an estimated cost of Rs 37.75 crore." He stated that the works under Phase 1A are expected to be completed within the next six months.

The site currently has around 8,500 trees of various species, and their scientific names have been displayed. Emphasising that not a single tree would be felled, he said a scientific assessment would be carried out to decide on the future course of action regarding the eucalyptus trees on the premises. He added that Rs 11.50 crore required for Phase 1 works has already been released.

Minister for Large and Medium Industries MB Patil visits the NGEF factory premises at Baiyappanahalli in Bengaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

Citing an assessment by scientists from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Patil said the administrative office buildings and industrial sheds within the NGEF premises are structurally sound.

As the structures are robust, they will be refurbished and repurposed to meet current requirements. He further said that a multi-level parking facility capable of accommodating 5,000 to 7,000 vehicles will be constructed on an additional 4.5 acres of factory-owned land located outside the compound.

Two separate convention centres, each with a seating capacity of at least 15,000, will be developed in the existing electric motor sheds. In addition, an incubation centre for startups, named 'Innoverse', will be established by the government-run KITS, providing a dedicated workspace for entrepreneurs. The IT-BT Department will also develop a 'Technology Innovation Museum' at the site at a cost of Rs 100 crore, he said.

He said the project would greatly benefit residents of east Bengaluru and added that it would emerge as a green space superior to Cubbon Park and Lalbagh.

Drivers' associations seek housing scheme

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THE Federation of Karnataka State Private Transport Associations has appealed to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to introduce a dedicated housing scheme for auto, taxi, bus, school vehicle, and small and medium goods vehicle drivers within a 20-km radius of Greater Bengaluru.

In a letter dated January 3, the federation said transport drivers play a crucial role in Bengaluru's economy but are facing severe housing distress due to soaring rents. It noted that even a single-room house now costs between Rs 10,000 and Rs 15,000 a month, making it unaffordable for most drivers. As a result, many are forced to live in shared accommodations, sleep inside their vehicles or take shelter under flyovers and in vacant buildings.

The federation pointed out that many drivers come from other districts of Karnataka and are compelled to live away from their families because of high rental costs. This, it said, has led to mental stress, health problems and increased road safety risks. It also flagged financial pressure caused by unregulated ride-hailing aggregators charging commissions of 15–25%, which erode drivers' incomes and affect their ability to meet basic expenses.

Welcoming the government's recent decision to rehabilitate unauthorised settlers in Kogilu on humanitarian grounds, the federation urged similar consideration for lawful transport drivers who provide essential services round the clock. It proposed affordable housing near depots, auto stands and Metro hubs, to be implemented through housing boards and welfare corporations with transparent eligibility criteria.

Such a scheme, the federation said, would help stabilise drivers' family lives, reduce stress and accidents, curb unauthorised settlements and strengthen Bengaluru's transport system.

EXPRESS READ

NIMHANS, India Post release postal cover

Bengaluru: A commemorative postal cover was released on the occasion of 50th anniversary of National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences' Sakalwara Community Mental Health Centre (NIMHANS) on Saturday. NIMHANS Director Prathima Murthy reflected on how the ethical and philosophical influences associated with the Maha Bodhi Society shaped SCMHC's enduring engagement with community-oriented work. NIMHANS also released a set of publications documenting the Centre's journey. ENS

Centre, states to strengthen silk sector

Bengaluru: Senior officials from the Centre and states on Saturday underscored the need for an integrated, market-driven approach to strengthen India's silk sector, with greater emphasis on quality assurance, branding and post-cocoon value addition, at the Directors' Conference of Sericulture Practising States and Union Territories in Bengaluru. Organised by the Central Silk Board (CSB) under the Ministry of Textiles, the two-day conference (January 3 and 4) was held under the theme "Strengthening the Silk Value Chain for Inclusive Growth." ENS

Panchayats have little say on ELCITA functioning

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THE development comes after Shivakumar inspected the six town municipalities and Electronics City a few weeks ago. Prior to that, Biocon chief Kiran Mazumdar Shaw had commented on the road infrastructure in Bengaluru.

The reason cited is that ELCITA, covering over 800-plus acres (3.2 sq km), is spread across three panchayats – Doddathoguru, Konappana Agrahara and Hebbagodi. "In the past, former gram panchayat president Anil Kumar had alleged that ELCITA, and not the government, had appointed a chief executive officer. He had said tax receipts are not given to the gram panchayat. Keeping all these issues in mind, the government has stepped in now," said an official.

A chief executive officer who earlier worked at the Doddathoguru Gram Panchayat said the three panchayats have very limited or no control over ELCITA and its administration.

There are talks now of bringing ELCITA under GBA. With that, the government will take responsibility for water supply, maintenance of roads and waste management.

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Outstanding Amount : Rs. 6,70,52,493.00 (Rupees Six crore seventy lakhs fifty two thousand four hundred ninety three only) as on 31.12.2025 with future interest, costs and expenses thereon
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Name of Title Deed Holder : Mr. MOHAN KRISHNA URATH & Mrs. ANITHA MOHAN. Schedule " A " Property (Description of the entire Property): All that piece and parcel of residentially converted lands bearing Khatha No.91/60, 61,62, 69 totally measuring 11 acres 15 guntas (4,95,495 square feet) comprised in Survey No.60,61,62 & 69 all situated at Halehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore (within the administrative jurisdiction of Avalahalli Village Panchayat) and bounded on the: North by : Lands in Survey No.68 and 33, South by : Lands in Survey No.63 and 77, West by : By Road, East by : Lands in Survey No.34 . **Schedule " B " Property (Property hereby conveyed to PURCHASER):** All that piece and parcel of plot bearing No.58 in Project Hebron Enclave situated in Schedule 'A' Property, equivalent to about 7,317 Sq.ft. (6,300 sq. ft. of individual land plot area and common area of 1,017 Sq. ft.) **Schedule " C " Property (Description of the Residential Villa hereby conveyed):** All that Residential Villa bearing No.58 Type B in Project Hebron Enclave comprising of 5 Bed Rooms being constructed on the Schedule Property and measuring about 5,100 Sq. ft. of super built-up area along with right to use the car parking area together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, garden and other areas of common use, between villas jointly belonging to such other Villa Owners equally and bounded on the: North by : Drive Way, South by : Villa No.59 Type B2 & Villa No.69 Type B1, West by : Drive Way, East by : Drive Way. **Property ID: SBIN200033420148.**
Status of Possession : Physical
RESERVE PRICE ₹ 5,70,00,000/- | EMD ₹ 57,00,000/- | BID INCREMENT AMOUNT ₹ 2,00,000/-
All above Details of the Encumbrances known to the Bank, if any: NIL
Date and Time of Inspection of Properties: 20.01.2026, between 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION: 28.01.2026 | Time: 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM | With auto time extension of 10 minutes each till sale is completed
For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the State Bank of India, the Secured Creditor's website www.sbi.co.in and https://baanknet.com
Date : 31.12.2025
Place : Chennai
Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch - II

Government of Karnataka
Office of the Assistant Conservator of Forests Bandipur Tiger Reserve Gundlupete Sub-Division, Gundlupete - 571111
E-mail: acfgpet@gmail.com
No.: ACF/GPET/GPT/Railway.B.Omkar/Tender/2025-26 Date: 20-12-2025
TENDER NOTIFICATION
(E-Procurement)
Notice is hereby given to the public that, during the financial year **2025-26,** tenders are invited through **Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** for the execution of the following work pertaining to the Omkara Range, falling under **Gundulpete Sub-Division of Bandipur Tiger Reserve,** as detailed in the schedule below: **"Construction of Elephant Proof Barricading using used rails along the boundary."** The above work is proposed to be carried out during the year **2025-26. Eligible contractors** who are **registered as Class-I contractors with KPWD/CPWD** are invited to participate in the tender process. Interested and qualified contractors may submit their tenders through the KPPP portal within the stipulated time as per tender conditions.

SL No	Name of Works	Extent (in Kms)	Tender Amount (Excluding GST)	EMD
1.	Construction of Elephant Proof Barricading using used rails along the boundary of Omkara Range during 2025-26- Shanimahathma Temple to Erekatte-4 Kms	4 Kms	5,43,87,220.26	9.83.100.00
2.	Construction of Elephant Proof Barricading using used rails along the boundary of Omkara Range during 2025-26- Jadegowdana Jameenu to Chikka Thayamma Jameenu - 4.67 Kms	4.67 Kms	6,50,04,023.52	11,75.100.00

Terms and Conditions:
1. Pre-Bid Meeting: The pre-bid meeting will be held on 14-01-2026 at 11:30 AM in the office of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Gundlupete Sub-Division, Gundlupete.
2. Last Date for Submission of Tenders: Tenders shall be submitted on or before 20-01-2026 up to 4:00 PM.
3. Opening of Technical Bids: Technical bids will be opened on 21-01-2026 at 4:01 PM.
4. Opening of Financial Bids: Financial bids will be opened on 22-01-2026 at 11:00 AM.
For further details, interested KPWD/CPWD Class-I contractors may contact the undersigned officer during office working hours or obtain information through the Karnataka Public Procurement Transparency Portal.
Sd/-
Assistant Conservator of Forests
Gundlupete Sub Division
Gundlupete
DIPR:CHANAGAR: 614:2025-26

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Date : 03-01-2026

The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) has announced a reduction in bus fares ranging from 10% to 15% for services operating from the Mangaluru Division (Mangaluru, Kundapura and Udupi) to Bengaluru. The revised fares, effective from January 5, will apply to services, such as Ambari Utsava, Dream Class, Multi Axle 2.0, Multi Axle, Non-AC Sleeper, Pallakki Non-AC Sleeper and Rajahamsa

WILDLIFE

Man-animal conflict will remain biggest challenge

STARTING Point 2026

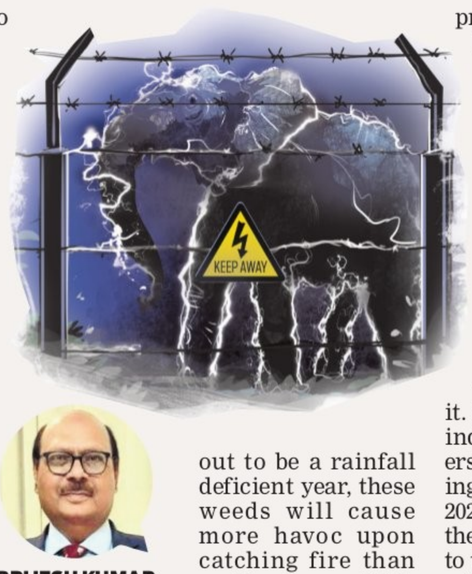
IN forestry changes happen subtly. In 2026, it may seem that things are the same as they were in the past five years or so. But that is no cause for complacency.

Fragmentation of habitat, increased human activity in and around forests and weeds gobbling up large areas of forests are the main reasons for it.

Conflict due to elephants is the most. Measures are being taken to prevent it. But elephant is blessed with brawn and brain. It finds ways to evade the measures taken. Rail barricading reduces conflict in areas where it is erected, but also results in conflicts elsewhere. Population control, particularly of the elephants outside forests in Kodagu, Hassan and Chikkamagalur districts, is called for.

Forest department has done enough preparatory work to try the immune-contraceptive measures being used in Africa. In 2026 this should be tried, at least as an experiment, in the coffee estate resident female elephants of Kodagu following technical and legal processes.

Conflicts with tiger and leopard will have to be better managed with tracking each of them, and alerting the people in their vicinity. The number of species which are in conflict is likely to increase. Farmers are becoming increasingly concerned over crop loss caused by black buck, wild pig, and peafowl. Better and faster compensation may prove to be useful here.



BRIJESH KUMAR DIKSHIT
Retd Head of Forest Force, K'taka

The previous two years have seen copious and well distributed rains. This has resulted in good growth and spread of weeds, particularly Lantana and Eupatorium. Should 2026 turn out to be a rainfall deficient year, these weeds will cause more havoc upon catching fire than earlier years. With almost all forest fires being man made, negligence and mischief both being the cause, fire prevention will may be a major challenge. Earning goodwill of people living in and near forests may reduce cases of negligence, but, more advance warning and preparedness to douse fires will be needed than in usual years.

Combating the areas of forests getting covered every year by the weeds Lantana, Senna and the presently inconspicuous but potentially dangerous Mikania micarantha, needs to be prioritized. For the first two, technique is perfected, but funds will be required. For Mikania, research is needed as to how to get rid of it since weedicides have failed to kill it. Senna is being used by paper industry, plywood manufacturers too have shown interest in using it. An attempt can be made in 2026 to source some funds from them for uprooting it, and supply to them on concessional rates.

The demand for forest land will continue as always. In forest diversion proposals, reasoning that there are no trees in maidan areas what is the logic to oppose diversion. Attempts to encroach forest land will be there, but vigilant field staff should be able to thwart it.

The contribution of forests to the revenue of the state is minimal. That has resulted in minimal focus on it. This needs to change. Over mature old plantations (teak, red sanders etc.) and the gum of Ailanthus triphysa need to be harvested and used. Plantations were raised with public money. The intent was not to make trees rise from dust and allow it to go back to dust, when they were economically useful.

Promoting agro forestry is needed. It provides farmers with an income, mainly in bad rainfall years, and, if carbon monetization is done, substantial additional income every year will be earned. Should the forest and agriculture departments join hands, a lot is possible in this. The endeavor will result in enhancement of soil organic carbon, the depletion of which is a matter of concern for agriculture.

Getting rid of the Salvinia molesta (antargange), which is choking water bodies along the coast Udupi southwards should be a priority. It is affecting paddy fields and forest ponds both, spreading very rapidly.

IRRIGATION WOES

TB crest gates to be ready by June, says CM

BASAVARAJ BHOGAVATI @ Raichur

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday sought to allay the fears of farmers in the catchment area of the Tungabhadra Reservoir (TB dam) by promising to complete the installation of new crest gates on the dam by June 2026 and to start water supply during the monsoon season (Kharif season).

Siddaramaiah was speaking after inaugurating the Ambadevi Jatra Mahotsav and Jambu Savari at Amba Mutt in Sindhanur taluk of Raichur district. On the occasion, he also inaugurated and laid the foundation stones for multiple development projects worth Rs 400 crore, including three lift irrigation projects estimated to cost Rs 300 crore.

The CM said the government aims to irrigate a total area of 42 lakh hectares in the state, and projects covering 30 lakh hectares are currently in progress. Siddaramaiah assured that the canal water problem faced by TLBC tail-end farmers would be resolved through the implementation of lift irrigation projects in Sindhanur taluk.

Siddaramaiah expressed dissatisfaction with the Central government for holding back a gazette notification for the implementation of the Upper Krishna Project works for the past 10 years.

The CM also said that following the implementation of the guarantee schemes, Karnataka has become the leading state in the country in terms of per capita income. "The state government has so far spent Rs 1,12,000 crore on five guarantee schemes," he said.

Siddaramaiah said claims that the state government is facing fund shortage for development works are false. He also strongly condemned the Union government for changing the MGNREGA scheme to the VB-G RAM G Act and cutting the grant.

Ministers Satish Jarkiholi, Ramalinga Reddy, Dr Sharan Prakash Patil, Shivaraj Tangadagi, MP Rajashekhar Hitnal, MLAs Hampannagouda Badarli , R Basanagouda Turvihal and BM Nagaraj, MLCs Basanagouda Badarli and A Vasanth Kumar, NEKRTC President Arun Kumar MY Patil, DC Nitish K and several others were present.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
SIGNAL & TELECOMMUNICATION WORKSHOP, PODANUR
E-Tender

For and on behalf of the president of India, The Chief Workshop Manager, Signal and Telecommunication Workshop, Podanur, Coimbatore-641023, invites E-Tender for the following works as per Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** Tenderers / Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted. The Bid Security deposit should be made through online payment gateway or through available modes as mentioned in Tender document.

TENDER NOTICE No.SGW-STTC-AV-605152-25 Dated : 31.12.2025.

1	Name of work	Provision, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Audio & Video Systems including Networking Arrangements at ZSTTC / PTJ. Southern Railway.
2	Approximate cost of the work	₹80,71,958.14/- Including GST @ 18%
3	Earnest money to be deposited	₹1,61,400/-
4	Completion period of work	180 Days
5	Date and time of closing of tender.	15.00 Hrs of 23.01.2026
6	Website particulars	www.ireps.gov.in

For further details, visit office of the Chief Workshop Manager, Signal and Telecommunication workshop, Podanur, Coimbatore - 641023.

Dy.CSTE/S&T/PTJ
For Chief Workshop Manager S&T Workshop, Podanur.

Aluva Municipality
R5-5667251/25 Municipal Office, Aluva, Date: 03.01.2026

E-Tender Notice

In connection with Aluva Shivaratri 2026, the Municipality invites E-tenders / expressions of interest from those who have experience in organizing the All India Health, Education, Agriculture, Cultural, Entertainment Exhibition and Trade Fair to be organized at Manappuram for a period of one month from 15th February 2026. 5% of the quoted amount to be deposited as EMD. Tender fee Rs.5000/-. Last date for receipt of E-tenders / expressions of interest is 09/01/2026, 03.00 P.M. Opening date is 12/01/2026, 11 A.M. Further details are available on the E-tender site from 03/01/2026 (https://etenders.kerala.gov.in) and from the Revenue Section during office hours and also on the site https://tender.lsgkerala.gov.in.

Tender ID: 2025_UAD_821810_2

Sd/-, SECRETARY,
ALUVA MUNICIPALITY

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IFT NO.HCMU/PUR/ EPROC/ 4822/2025-26 DATE:29/12/2025

INVITATION FOR E-TENDER (IFT)
TECHNICAL CUM COMMERCIAL TENDER

HAMUL invites E-Procurement tender for 1) Supply of different variants of Corrugated boxes 2) Quantity & EMD amount: as per bid notification available in e-portal. 3) Last date for submission of tender: **30.01.2026 up to 5.00 PM**. 6) Technical bid opening: **02.02.2026 at 11.00 AM.** 7) Address for communication: Deputy Manager(Purchase) at the above address. 8) Tender document may be downloaded from website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/. Tender No: KMF/2025-26/IND1882.**

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of India Undertaking)
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Principal Chief Engineer, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., invites Open Tender in Single Bid system through E-Tendering on IREPS portal from eligible contractors for the following work.

Sr. No.: 1. Name of Work: Rail renewal for 70 Track km (TKM) length with 52 kg, 260 m rail panels at identified stretches under SEN/Udupi section from Km 556/600 to 739/760 in Senior Regional Engineer, Karwar jurisdiction in Karnataka State. **Tender Notice No.: KR-W-1-58-2025-24. Estimated Cost**: Rs.5,10,16,201/- excluding GST. **Date and time for Pre Bid meeting**: 06.01.2026 at 15:00 hrs. **Closing Date/Time**: 23.01.2026 up to 15:00 hrs for submission of online Offers/Bids. **Completion period**: Four months excluding monsoon.

Sr. No.: 2. Name of Work: Rail renewal for 26 Track km (TKM) length with 52 kg, 260 m rail panels at identified stretches under Senior Regional Engineer, Ratnagiri Region from Km 0/800 to 378/100 in Maharashtra state. **Tender Notice No.: KR-W-1-58-2025-25. Estimated Cost**: Rs.1,89,69,104/- excluding GST. **Date and time for Pre-Bid meeting**: 06.01.2026 at 15:00 hrs. **Closing Date/Time**: 23.01.2026 up to 15:00 hrs for submission of online Offers/Bids. **Completion period**: Three months excluding monsoon.

Manual offers shall not be accepted. Please visit **https://ireps.gov.in** website for details / participation. Corrigendum / addendum will be hosted in this website only.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-25-26-01R2, 15R and 14R2 Dt: 02.01.2026

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Divisional Railway Manager / Traction Distribution Branch, Chennai Division, Southern Railway, Chennai - 3, invites online tender from the experienced Contractors for the following works for further details, please refer to

Sl.No	Tender No. / Name of the work	Value (₹)	Closing date / time
1	**Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-25-26-01R2** Augmentation of OHE auxiliary transformer (AT) supply arrangements in connection with replacement of existing PI by EI (Indoor and outdoor) in AJJ-JTJ section of Chennai Division.	₹ 51,89,489.38	22 / 01 / 2026 (15.00 hrs)
2	**Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-2025-26-15R** Modification to existing OHE arrangements in connection with Pudi Yard remodelling in Chennai Division.	₹ 91,44,570.43	22 / 01 / 2026 (15:00 hrs)
3	**Tender No. M-TRD-29-I-OT-25-26-14R2** Conversion of Tramway OHE to conventional OHE on the MLPM (Melpakkam) bypass line in Chennai Division.	₹ 1,43,87,168.27	22 / 01 / 2026 (15:00 hrs)

(Sr. DEE / TRD / MAS) Divisional Railway Manager, Traction Distribution Branch, Chennai Division, Chennai-3

WESTERN RAILWAY
MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/01/2026 Date 01.01.2026

S.N.	SHORT DESCRIPTION OF ITEM	QUANTITY	T.O.D.
1	Set of Battery Boxes with mounting arrangement	83 Set	10-Feb-26
2	Low maintenance Lead acid secondary cells for Railway S&T capacity 2V/80 AH	6200 Nos	05-Feb-26
3	High Tensile Transition	182 Nos	05-Feb-26
4	Carbon bush assembly for wheel set	9205 Nos	03-Feb-26
5	Maintenance free VRLA Batteries set of 48V-200AH	103 Set	02-Feb-26
6	VRLA Valve Regulated (Sealed) Lead Acid battery Capacity-2V 300AH	9600 Nos	29-Jan-26

CORRIGENDUM

Please read the due date as "12.01.2026" for the tender notice no S-72-2025 dated: 08.12.2025 at Sr. No. 761

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** and **wr.indianrailways.gov.in** 0971

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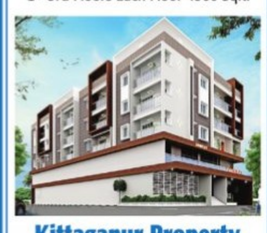

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground water Development, Division, Shimoga.
SECTION 1-INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDERS
KW-1/KW-2/KW-3/KW-4

Dated:31.12.2025 CALL-1/3 IFT No.: 35/2025-26.

The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground water Development Division, Shivamogga invites tenders in Standard Bid Document KW-1/ KW-2/KW-3/KW-4throughkpp- procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka, viz.,http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from eligible contractors for the 10 works coming under SHIMOGA DIVISION. Amounting from Rs. 3.59 lakhs to Rs. 232.50 lakhs. Period of downloading tender documents from e-procurement portal: From 31.12.2025 to 07.01.2026 upto 17:00 hrs. Tender opening date at 17:15hrs on 08.01.2026. Any other details may be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours on all working days. Details published on the e-procurement website @ http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in are final.

Sd/- Executive Engineer M.I & G.W.D. Division, Shimoga.

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ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ರಾ.ಹ(ಗ.ರಾ)ಸಿಆರ್/02/2025-26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26-12-2025

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

2026ರ ಜನವರಿ 26ರಂದು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಫೀಲ್ಡ್ ಮಾರ್ಷಲ್ ಮಾಣಿಕ್‌ಷಾ ಪೆರೇಡ್ ಮೈದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಏರ್ಪಡಿಸಲಿರುವ ರಾಜ್ಯಮಟ್ಟದ ಗಣರಾಜ್ಯೋತ್ಸವ ದಿನಾಚರಣೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದ ಪ್ರಯುಕ್ತ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾರ್ಯವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳ ಅನುಭವಿಗಳಿಂದ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕವಾಗಿ ದರಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ದರಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09-01-2026ರ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 2.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿರುತ್ತದೆ.** ಮೊಹರಾದ ದರಪಟ್ಟಿ ಲಕೋಟೆಗಳನ್ನು ಅದೇ **ದಿನ ಸಂಜೆ 4-00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು.** ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

1. ಹೂವಿನ ನಾಮಫಲಕಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಟೇಜ್ ಅಲಂಕಾರ.
2. ಫೋಟೋ ಮತ್ತು ವಿಡಿಯೋ ಚಿತ್ರೀಕರಣ.
3. ಉಪಹಾರ ಸರಬರಾಜು. (ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24-01-2026 ಮತ್ತು 26-01-2026ರಂದು)

DIPR/CP/RO/4836/2025-26

ಸಹಿ/- ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು,
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

ಸಂ:ಕಾಪಾಇಂ/ಪಂರಾಇಂ/ವಿ/ದಾ/ಕಿ.ಇಂ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/2025-26/2050 ದಿನಾಂಕ:- 03.01.2026

ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
("ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್" ಮೂಲಕ)

ಈ ವಿಭಾಗ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ 2025-26 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಮೂಲಸೌಕರ್ಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇಲಾಖಾ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿಯ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಏಕ ಮತ್ತು ದ್ವಿ-ಲಕೋಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ ನಮೂನೆ-1, 2 ಮತ್ತು 3ರಲ್ಲಿ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಒಟ್ಟು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:09 (ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 22592, 22593, 22596, 22597, 22598, 22600, 22603, 22604 & 22605) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 9.89 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ 78.76 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳವರೆಗೆ ಇರುತ್ತವೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಸ್ವರೂಪ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರಂಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03/01/2026 ರಿಂದ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12/01/2026 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:08192-250156 ಅಥವಾ www.KPPP.karnataka.gov.in ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ವಾಸಾಇ/ಡಿಎಜಿ/617/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025-26

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್,
ಪಂ.ರಾ.ಇಂ.ವಿಭಾಗ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED (Government of Karnataka)
Executive Engineer, KNNL, MRBCC
Division No. 1, Nargund Dist : Gadag
Tel No. 08377-244236 e-mail : knnlestablishment@gmail.com
No.KNNL/MRBCC.Div-1/PB/Tender/2025-26/1404 Dated : 02-01-2026

Tender Notfication-5th Call
(Through Gov. Kppp-Portal only)

The tender has invited through Kppp portal in two cover system on turnkey basis as per KW-4 from eligible contractors registered in public works department by the under signed on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL 4th Floor, Coffee BoardBuilding Dr. B.R Ambedkar Veedhi Banglore-560001.
(1) Indent No.1574 -Approximate Amount put to **Rs. 45.75** Crores. EMD Amount **Rs. 38.40** Lakhs (2) Indent No.1575-Approximate Amount put to Rs. **41.30** Crores. EMD Amount Rs. **34.71** Lakhs (3) Last Date for tender querries/clarification Dt :**09-01-2026** at 11.00 AM (4) Pre-bid meeting will be Conducted on Dt:**12-01-2026** at 11.00 AM. in the O/o The Managing Director, KNNL, 4th Floor, coffee Board building No.1, Dr. B.R.AmbedkarVeedhi Benglore-560001. (5) Last date of submission of completed e-tenders :Dt:**02-02-2026** up to 4.00 PM. (6) Technical bid Opening:Dt: **04-02-2026** After 11:00 AM. Financial Bid: After approval of technical bid, the financial bid will be opened.
Contractor eligibilty/Tender conditions/Tender processing fee etc can be had form the website Kppp.karnataka.gov.in. Further information can be had from the under signed during the office hours on telephone **08377-244236.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
KNNL MRBCC Divn. No. 1,
Nargund.

DIPR/Gadag/KSMCA/499/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works Department
Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi

No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-1/TENDER/2025-26/5729 DATE: 02/01/2026

Short Term E-Tender Notification (Call-3)

Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi has invited item wise short term e-Tenders from Registration in KPWD and Registration in Labour Department authorized by Karnataka Government for the works coming under the jurisdiction of Chikodi PWD Division 1 work under head of account 3054-SH Maintenance-Maintenance Vecch and 1 work under head of account 3054-MDR Maintenance-Maintenance Vecch, Totally 2 No. of works. Amount put to tender is Rs. 22.41 Lakhs and Rs. 20.17 lakhs respectively.

Calendar of events:1)Last date for queries & clarifications : 07-01-2026 up to 5.30 PM, 2)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 09-01-2026 up to 5.00 PM, 3)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 12-01-2026 at 4.30 PM, 4)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System): "after approval of Technical bids", 5)If no bid received auto extension will be done by e-proc itself for 2 days.

For more information & forms of tender can be downloaded from kppp.karnataka.gov.in & departmental web site www.kpwd.gov.in. Further details can be collected from O/o Executive Engineer Public Works Dept.,Division Chikkodi during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
PWD Division Chikodi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1580/KSMCA/2025-26

BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION, ZONE-1
Kengeri Division, RR Nagara Zone, BBMP Office Building, C A No-3, 1st Main Road, Outer Ring Road, Kommaghatta Road, Kengeri Upanagara, Bangalore-560060

No: EE/KEN/TEND/06/2025-26 Date: 03.01.2026

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)
(Tender Notification)
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal)

The Executive Engineer, Kengeri division, BWCC Zone-1 invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BWCC, Zone-1, Bengaluru from eligible Tenderers for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No	Name of Work
1	Providing Chain Link Fencing to Damage Portion for Lingadheeranahalli Lake Park in Ward No-40 (New Ward No-27), **Estimate Cost of work (Rs. in Lakhs): 10.00, EMD Amount (Rs.): 25000/-,** Period of Completion: **6 Months**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Documents may be Downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **05.01.2026, 4.00 PM onwards.** 2) Pre-Bid Meeting on **09.01.2026 @ 3.00 PM,** O/o Chief Engineer, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeswari, Nagar Zone, Bengaluru-98. 3) Last Date & Time for uploading tender documents: **13.01.2026 Upto 4.00 PM,** 4) Opening of Technical Document: **15.01.2026 upto 11.30 AM.** 6) Bid Validity: **90 Days.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division,
BWCC Zone-1

Jammalamadugu (AP) MLA Adi Narayana Reddy's son, Sudheer Reddy, was apprehended on Saturday for allegedly consuming drugs at a villa in the Financial District in Hyderabad. Of the three people tested, Sudheer Reddy was positive for smoking ganja

TN to launch pension scheme, staff to pay 10%

T MURUGANANDHAM @Chennai

WITH just months to go for the Assembly election, Chief Minister MK Stalin on Saturday announced the 'Tamil Nadu Assured Pension Scheme (TAPS)' for state government employees and teachers, guaranteeing a pension equal to 50% of their last-drawn monthly salary. Employee unions that had threatened to launch an indefinite strike from January 6 have now withdrawn their protest after the announcement.

As per TAPS, which comes after the 23-year struggle of government staff for restoration of the Old Pension Scheme (OPS), the employees will contribute 10% of their basic salary to the pension corpus and the state will bear the rest. Under OPS, the government was bearing the entire pension fund contribution.

"Despite financial constraints, the state government will fully bear the cost of implementing TAPS to safeguard the welfare of government employees and teachers," the CM said in a statement, which, significantly, does not mention the date on which TAPS will take effect. However, in what could be a dampener to the unions, top government sources told TNSE that it was expected to come into force from January 1, 2027 — months after the Assembly election this year.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Pensioners will be eligible for DA hikes every 6 months
- If a pensioner dies, 60% of last drawn pension will be paid as a family pension to nominee
- Gratuity upto Rs25 lakh on retirement or death, based on service length

The financial burden on the state is expected to go up steeply under TAPS, with a one-time contribution of Rs 13,000 crore to the pension fund and additional contribution of Rs 11,000 crore every year. The yearly contribution will also be revised periodically in line with the increase in salary. Though the DMK government had made this announcement at the fag end of its term, the labour unions have welcomed it.

The CM said that the TAPS also ensures a minimum pension for all employees who retire without completing the qualifying service period for pension.

According to the PRS Legislative Research regarding the 2025-26 state budget, the TN government is estimated to spend Rs 2,07,054 crore on committed expenditure, which is 62% of its estimated revenue receipts. This comprises spending on salaries (28% of the revenue receipts), pensions (14%) and interest payments (21%). With the implementation of TAPS, these expenditures may rise further.

Thiruvananthapuram MLA Antony Raju arrives at Nedumangad court ahead of the verdict in the evidence tampering case on Saturday | EXPRESS

Antony Raju convicted, disqualified as MLA

EVIDENCE TAMPERING CASE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @T'Puram

IN a major loss of face for the ruling LDF just months before the Kerala Assembly elections, its legislator from Thiruvananthapuram and former minister Antony Raju was on Saturday handed a three-year jail sentence by a local court in a 35-year-old evidence tampering case.

In the wake of the ruling by the Judicial First Class Magistrate Court, Nedumangad, Raju stands disqualified as MLA, and will be barred from contesting elections for six years after his prison term ends.

However, the MLA, who is the second accused in the case, will not go behind bars soon as the court has granted him one-month bail to appeal the verdict. Besides Raju, a three-year sentence under IPC 201 (disappearance of evidence) and a fine of Rs 10,000 has also been handed out to former court clerk Jose, the first accused.

Raju and Jose have also been sentenced to three years of jail under IPC Section 193 (furnishing false evidence), two years under Section 465 (forgery), and six months under IPC 120 (B) (criminal conspiracy).

The verdict comes 19 years after the chargesheet was filed against Raju, currently a legislator of the Janathipathya Kerala Congress, an LDF ally.

The case dates back to 1990 when Raju was a junior lawyer appearing in a drug case involving an Australian national, Andrew Salvatore.

He is accused of tampering with Salvatore's underwear, which was seized as material evidence. Salvatore was caught with narcotics hidden in the pocket of his underwear at the Thiruvananthapuram airport in April 1990.

'We want govt to convert unaided schools into aided'

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"WE had earlier protested demanding grants from the government and to convert unaided schools into aided, but nothing has been done. We had over 100 students in our school, but most of them shifted after more aided and English medium schools emerged in our neighbourhood. We now have only 60 students," Santhosh said.

He pointed out that every year, unaided Kannada medium schools have recorded a pass percentage of 90 in SSLC exams.

GC Shivappa, president, Unaided Kannada Medium Schools, Karnataka, said, "The minister said on the floor of the House during the recent winter session in Belagavi that our schools would be included in the coming budget." "When we met him personally on Saturday, he made us the same promise. But previous education ministers too had stated that these schools would be part of the budget, but that never happened, Shivappa added."

Madhu Bangarappa was not available for comments when *TNSE* reached out to him.

BULL RUSH

A bull charges out of the 'vadivasal' as youngsters attempt to tame it during the first Jallikattu event of this year in Pudukkottai, Tamil Nadu, on Saturday | MK ASHOK KUMAR

EXPRESS READ

19-year-old boy beaten to death by classmates

Vellore: A 19-year-old student from Tiruvannamalai, in his second year of the BA Defence course at Vellore's Voorhees College, was allegedly beaten to death with an iron rod by two of his classmates on Friday. His body was dumped near the Tamil Nadu-Andhra border. One of the accused has been detained. The deceased, Danny Vallan Arasu of Pathiyava-ram village in Chetpet, Tiruvannamalai district, used to stay in a rented house in Sainathapuram, Vellore, along with two of his classmates, Kishore Kannan (19) of Arni and Parthasarathy (18) of Puducherry. Police noted that Kishore had also stated that Parthasarathy, by himself, had murdered Danny in a dispute over a girl. On January 2, Arasu's father, Anand, filed a missing complaint. They detained Kishore the next morning and he informed that Parthasarathy is absconding, and a special team led by Bagayam Inspector Nagarajan has been sent to Puducherry to nab him. ENS

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
DAM REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- II
OFFICE OF THE Office of the, EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, KNNL KPC Division-1, BIDAR

No.EE/KNNL/KPCD-1/ BDR/TA//PB-4/DRIP-II/TND/NTN//2025-26/1639 Date: 31-12-2025

Corrigendum-1
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING INVITATION FOR BIDS UNDER KPPP ROCUREMENT SYSTEM (TENDER NOTIFICATION) IN TWO COVER SYSTEM

Ref No.1)EE/KNNL/KPCD-1/ BDR/TA//PB-4/DRIP-II/TND/NTN//2025-26/1590 Date: 22-12-2025

The under signed, on behalf the Managing Director, KNNL, Bengaluru, hereby informs that the work under DRIP-II of Karanja Project vide Ref No.(1) has already been advertised in the Tender Notification, the dates of which vary. The details there-of are as follows: 1) The contractor can have access to e-tender document in the websites htpps://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from **01-01-2026 To 31-01-2026 Time 17.00 Hours** in the website ,2) PRE-BID MEETING at the office of the Superintending Engineer KNNL, IPC, Circle, Kalaburagi **Date 12-01-2026 Time 11.00 Hours,** 3) Last Date & Time for Tender queries/Clarifications: **12-01-2026 upto 17:00 Hours,** 4) Technical Bid Part-I will be opened on **Date 02-02-2026 Time 17.15 Hours** at the O/o Executive Engineer, KNNL, KPC DIV-1, BIDAR 585401 Tq:Bidar, Dist:Bidar, Karnataka state, 5) Financial Bid Part-II will be opened on date: **03-02-2026 at 17.20 Hours** or after approval of Technical bid at the O/o Executive Engineer, KNNL, KPC DIV-1, BIDAR 585401 Tq:Bidar, Dist:Bidar, Karnataka state **Date will be intimated after evaluation of "Technical Qualification -Part-I"(** All details & information can be had from the office of the under signed during office hours and visit website **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/Bidar/284/KSMC&A/2025-26

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
KNNL KPC, Division no -1, Bidar,

Office of the Commissioner
Ballari City Corporation, Ballari.
Gadigi Chennappa Circle(Royal Circle) Ballari-583101
Landline No : 08392-273479 /278168
Website : www.ballaricity.mrc.gov.in
E-mail ID: ka.ballari.cc@gmail.com

No: CCB/ENG/ELE/Tender/04/2025-26 Date: 02.01.2026

INVITATION FOR TENDER
(Through e-procurement portal only)

Short term tenders are inivited for the Various works under General fund in Ballari City corporation Limits through New e-procurement Portal, Government of Karnataka https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home as per KW-1 to KW-3 of Standard Document from the eligible contractors, following are the Indent No- 1) DMA/2025-26/WS/WORK_INDENT 53237, Rs.3.75 Lks, 2) DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 53239, Rs.3.10 Lks, 3) DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT 53460, Rs.1.28 Lks, 4) DMA/2025-26/WS/WORK_INDENT 55458, Rs.7.16 Lks, 4) DMA/2025-26/SE6870/CALL-2, Rs.96.95 Lks Tender documents can be downloaded from the New e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka Last date for submission of tender through e-procurement portal on or before 12.01.2026 at 17.00 hours. Date of Opening of Technical Bid on 13.01.2026 at 17.30 hours, Date of Opening of Financial Bid for indent No-SE6870/CALL2 on 17.01.2026 at 10.30 AM, Transaction fee and EMD as per E-Portal. For further details contact this office Phone No: 08392-273479 and e-mail ID: bellarycommissioner@yahoo.co.in

Sd/- Commissioner, Ballari City Corporation. Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/857/KSMCA/2025-26

ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು
(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸ್ವಾಯತ್ತ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ)
ತೇಗೂರು, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು – 577133
ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08262–295347, ಜಾಲತಾಣ: https://cimschikkamagaluru.karnataka.gov.in ಇ-ಮೇಲ್: directorcims2020@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಚಿ.ವೈ.ವಿ.ಸಂ/ಅಲೈಡ್/342/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 31–12–2025

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ವಿಷಯ: ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಬಿ.ಎಸ್ಸಿ ಅಲೈಡ್ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭರ್ತಿಯಾಗದೆ ಉಳಿದಿರುವ 127 ಬಿ.ಎಸ್ಸಿ ಅಲೈಡ್ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಮೆರಿಟ್ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ

Courses	Sanction Seat		Allotted Seat		Vacant Seat	
	Regular	Lateral	Regular	Lateral	Regular	Lateral
MLT	20	20	06	14	14	06
AT - OT	20	20	20	02	0	18
OPTOMETRY	20	20	06	02	14	18
RENAL DIALYSIS	10	10	01	01	09	09
MIT	20	20	01	0	19	20
Total	90	90	34	19	56	71

2025–26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಬಿ.ಎಸ್ಸಿ ಅಲೈಡ್ ಕೋರ್ಸಿನ ಪ್ರವೇಶಾತಿಗೆ KEA ವತಿಯಿಂದ 53 ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಕೌನ್ಸಿಲಿಂಗ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಾಂಶುಪಾಲರ ಹಂತದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೆರಿಟ್ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಭರ್ತಿಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಈಗ ಭರ್ತಿಯಾಗದೇ ಉಳಿಕೆಯಾಗಿರುವ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಬಿ.ಎಸ್ಸಿ ಅಲೈಡ್ ಕೋರ್ಸ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ 127 ಸೀಟುಗಳಿಗೆ KEAಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಅರ್ಹ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಿ.ಇ.ಟಿ (CET) ನೋಂದಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಹೊಂದಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಬೇರೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೀಟ್ ಹಂಚಿಕೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಸದರಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಹಾಗೂ KEA ಇಂದ ಸೀಟ್ ಕ್ಯಾನ್ಸಲೇಶನ್ ಮಾಡಿಸಿರುವ ಪ್ರತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಾಗಿ ಲಗತ್ತಿಸಬೇಕು. ಮೆರಿಟ್ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ನಿಯಮಾನುಸಾರ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕವಾಗಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಪ್ರಾಂಶುಪಾಲರ ಹಂತದಲ್ಲಿ Walk in Admission ಮೂಲಕ ಪ್ರಾಂಶುಪಾಲರು ಹಾಗೂ ಹಿರಿಯ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕರನ್ನೊಳಗೊಂಡ ಸಮಿತಿಯ ಮೂಲಕ Offline Counselling ನಡೆಸಿ ಸೀಟು ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು. ದಾಖಲಾತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವ ಅರ್ಹ ಅಭ್ಯರ್ಥಿಗಳು ದಿನಾಂಕ 01.01.2026 ರಿಂದ 10.01.2026 ರವರೆಗೆ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 9.00 ರಿಂದ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 1.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು. ದಿನಾಂಕ 10.01.2026ರಂದು ಕಾಲೇಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೌನ್ಸೆಲಿಂಗ್ ನಡೆಸಿ ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ಒಳಗೆ ಸೀಟು ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಸೀಟು ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ಆಗಿರುವ ಅಭ್ಯರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಅದೇ ದಿನದಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 5 ಗಂಟೆಯ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಕಾಲೇಜಿಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ವರದಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ಈ ಕುರಿತು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕಾಲೇಜು ಕೆಲಸದ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಸೂಚಿಸಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

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NOTICE/INVITATION FOR E-AUCTION FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Pursuant to attachment of Immovable properties by the Government under the provisions of the Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishments Act, 2004 (KPIDFE Act) and pursuant to the absolute attachment order by the Hon'ble Special Court, the Special Officer & Competent Authority is issuing notice for e-auction of the immovable property through e-auction on 'as is where is and whatever there is basis'.
The intending bidders will be required to furnish Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (as mentioned against each auction in the e-portal provided by the Service Provider/Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only).

Short description of the Immovable Property (SPLOCA/AUC(2)/CR/10/2025-26)

Properties are free of all encumbrances and are in the name of Competent Authority appointed by Government and confirmed by the Special Court under KPIDFE Act, 2004. and Hon'ble High Court Of Karnataka has cleared the title (Khata stands in the name of Competent Authority and Auctioning Authority)

Sl. No.	DETAILS OF THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY (Clear Title by Court in order No. MISC No. 707/2019)	Minimum Bid Price (Rs)	EMD (Rs)	Bid Increase Value (Rs)
1.	No.7/2, PID No. 76-36-7/2, Alexandra Street, Richmond Town, Old Ward No. 76 New Ward No. 117, Shanthinagara, Bengaluru. East to west toward East 65' 3 & Towards West 51+ 10 ft & North to South Towards North 59 ft & toward South 68 ft Aggregating 4010 sq.ft . Location: https://maps.app.goo.gl/GB9VyYJrwfcfagiS8			
(a)	1st floor, Flat No. FF-101, UDS-369.50, SBA-1715.625 sq.ft	2,51,08,500/-	25,11,000/-	2,52,000/-
(b)	1st floor, Flat No. FF-102, UDS-359.41, SBA-1668.75 sq.ft	2,44,34,000/-	24,44,000/-	2,45,000/-
(c)	2nd floor, Flat No. SF-201, UDS-369.50, SBA-1715.625 sq.ft	2,53,55,500/-	25,36,000/-	2,54,000/-
(d)	2nd floor, Flat No. SF-202, UDS-359.41, SBA-1668.75 sq.ft	2,46,81,000/-	24,69,000/-	2,47,000/-
(e)	4th floor, Flat No.FRT-401, UDS-369.50, SBA-1715.625 sq.ft	2,49,85,000/-	24,99,000/-	2,50,000/-
(f)	4th floor, Flat No.FRT-402, UDS-359.41, SBA-1668.75 sq.ft	2,43,20,000/-	24,32,000/-	2,44,000/-
(g)	5th floor, Flat No.FTF-500, UDS-711, SBA-3301.25 sq.ft	4,76,99,500/-	47,70,000/-	4,77,000/-
(h)	6th floor, Pent House No.501, UDS-383.37, SBA-1780 sq.ft	2,60,39,500/-	26,04,000/-	2,61,000/-

Date of Pre-bid meeting & time and Place	Date of Inspection & time	Last Date of Submission of Bids & EMD submission	Date & Time of E Auction
21st January 2026, 3 pm to 4 pm Place: O/o SPLOCA, 3rd Floor, Podium Block, Visveswariah Tower, Bengaluru-01	31st January 2026 11:00am to 05:00pm	16th February 2026 Before 5pm	17th February 2026 11 am to 1 pm

For Registration & Online Auction, you can login to: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** (Helpdesk No: 080-46010000, 080-68948777) The interested bidders who require auction related information can contact Assistant Commissioner, Office of the Special Officer & Competent Authority, 3rd Floor, Podium Block, Visveswariah Towers, Dr.Ambedkar Veedi, Bengaluru-560001, e-mail ID: **splocaeauction@gmail.com** or Contact Mob. No 9945515174.

Date: 01-01-2026
Place: Bengaluru
DIPR/CP/4825/NR/2025-26

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Sl. No.	DETAILS OF THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY (Clear Title by Court in order No. MISC No. 689/2019)	Minimum Bid Price (Rs)	EMD (Rs)	Bid Increase Value (Rs)
1.	No. 564/29, PID No. 59-107-29, 10th cross, WKP Road, 7th Block, Jayanagara, ward No. 59, Bengaluru. Measuring East to West 40 ft North to South 40 Total 1600 sq.ft Location : https://maps.app.goo.gl/hfrmQFmbpjbZzdAX7, Latitude and Longitude: 12°55'30.0"N 77°34'27.1"E			
(a)	Ground Floor, Flat No.GF-10, 1UDS-399.76, SBA-1383.75 Sq.ft	1,45,35,000/-	14,54,000/-	1,46,000/-
(b)	1st Floor, Flat No.FF-102, UDS-399.76, SBA-1383.75 Sq.ft	1,47,25,000/-	14,73,000/-	1,48,000/-
(c)	2nd Floor, Flat No.SF-103 UDS-400, SBA-1383.75 Sq.ft	1,49,15,000/-	14,92,000/-	1,50,000/-
(d)	3rd Floor, Flat No.TF-01, UDS-399.76, SBA-1383.75 Sq.ft	1,46,30,000/-	14,63,000/-	1,47,000/-

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Mission Road Branch: Retail Recovery, 2nd Floor, IDBI House, #58, Mission Road, Bangalore-560027. Ph: 080-61451233/234/241/246/250/280 Email: recovery.bangalore@idbi.co.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (Sale Through E-Auction Only)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to **IDBI Bank Limited** (Secured Creditor), the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of IDBI Bank Limited (Secured Creditor), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **20th January 2026** for recovery of amount due to **IDBI Bank Limited** (Secured Creditor) for the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagors.

Date and Time of Auction 20th January 2026 from 10:30 AM to 1.00 PM
Last date of online submission of Bid: **19th January 2026 before 04:00 PM.**
EMD Payment to be made into IDBI A/c No: 0083491501026; IFSC CODE: IBKL0000008 with relevant Bid Documents to reach us on or before : 19th January 2026 before 04:00 PM to IDBI Bank Limited, Retail Recovery, 3rd Floor, No.58, IDBI House, Mission Road, Bengaluru-560027.
Minimum Bid increment: **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only).**

(1) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mrs.Rashmi Puravankara & Mr Girish Puravanakara Row House No: 27, LGCL Bamboo Forest, Sy No: 138/1 &139, Rayasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal, Bengaluru-560099 also at Villa No: 62-C, LGCL ASHLAR 52 Choodasandra, Kasavanahalli Main Road, Electronic City Post, Bengaluru-560099.

Demand Notice: 21.01.2023 **Possession Notice: 07.12.2023**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.- 2,44,35,059/- (Rupees Two Crore Forty Four Lakh Thirty Five Thousand and Fifty Nine Only) as on 15-01-2024 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 15-01-2024. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: Schedule-A(Description of the entire property): All that piece and parcel of residentially converted lands bearing survey No. 138/1 (portion of old survey No.91), measuring 20 guntas and survey No.139 (old survey No.91), measuring 1 acre 20 guntas, now bearing Property No. 79/138/139 (as per Grama Panchayath Records), Property Unique No. 150200100500300085, issued by Shanthipura Grama Panchayath, Anekal Taluk, situated at Rayasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring in total 2 acres converted for non-agricultural/industrial use, vide Official Memorandum dated 25-01-2010, in No.ALN(A)(S)SR:327/09-10, change of land use from industrial use to residential use vide Order dated 15-04-2010, in No.201/109-10/153/10-11, issued by the Commissioner, Bangalore Development Authority, vide No.NA.MA/Aa.SA/Aa.Aa.3/54/2010-11, dated 28-09-2010, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the: East by: Government Road and remaining portion of Survey No.139. West by: Remaining portion of Survey No.138 belonging to Gowramma and Survey No.7 of Naganathapura Village belonging to Krishnareddy. North by: Gomal Lands and portion of survey No. 139. South by: Rayasandra Road Schedule -'B' (Description of the property hereby conveyed) Item No.1-All that piece and parcel of portion of the Schedule 'A' Property beneath the row house more fully mentioned and described in the Schedule 'C' here below and measuring in total 1208 square feet. Item No.2-All that piece and parcel of 3.06% undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property forming part of the club house, common area and facilities. Schedule -'C' (Description of the Row House being constructed on the Schedule 'B' Property) Row house bearing No.27 being constructed on the portion of the Schedule 'A' Property (demarked in the Annexed Plan) having a super built-up area of 2537 square feet, with marble flooring, including one half part between the external walls abutting the adjoining row houses and further a Terrace area of 442 square feet forming part of the project named as "LGCL Bamboo Forest", along with exclusive right to use and enjoy the open area in the front and rear of the row house measuring 57 square feet and 140 square feet respectively, along with one open car parking space and the row house bounded on the: East by: Road, West by: Row house No.23, North by: Row house No.26, South by: Row house No.28.

Reserve Price: Rs.2,11,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.21,10,000/-**

(2) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Yesu Raja and Mrs. Usha V No.297/13B, 1st Floor, New No.2, 9th Cross, Anthony Swamy Layout, Lingarajapuram, Bangalore - 560084

Demand Notice: 16.03.2023 **Possession Notice: 20.05.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.44,74,924.00 (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Four Only) as on 09/03/2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-03-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable vacant property bearing Site No.42 Kallubalu Gram Panchayath Katha No.480, formed out of Sy No. 97/2, 107, 108/1, 108/2 converted for Non-agricultural Residential purposes vide OM bearing No.ALN/(AJ)SR/73/05-06 dated 09.08.2006, layout plan was approved by the BMRDA Anekal Planning Authority vide No.BMRDA/ APA/LAO/44/2006-07 dated 02.01.2008 in the layout known as CLASSIC CHAMPAKADHAMA situated at Harappanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk hereinafter called the Schedule Property East to West 24 meters and North to South (33+29.8)/2 meters Total measuring 744.96 Sq. meters and bounded as follow: East by : Site No.43;West by :
Site No.4;North by Road; South by;Sy Private Property
Schedule 'B' Property undivided share right 433.645 Sq feet of, title and interest in the land comprised in the Schedule 'A' property.
Schedule 'C' Property All the piece and percel of the Flat bearing No.GF-003 in ground Floor "CLASSIC CHAMAKADHAMA", with SBA of 1313 Sq feet AND 433.645 (UDS) Sq feet, undivided share from built in Schedule A property, consisting 2 BHK house with attached bathroom, toilet, with vitrified tiles flooring Modular Kitchen, wardrobes, power backup and including basement one car parking and bounded: East by Open Space; West by Ground Floor Flat No.GF 002; North by Open Space; South by Ground Floor Flat No.GF 004

Reserve Price: Rs.51,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,10,000/-**

(3) Name & Address of the Borrower: Ms. Jecyntha and Mr. Nirmalin Vasanth G No 23, Flat no:301,2nd Floor, Vensa Lake View Apt,Ward No.06, Dasarahalli Village, Yelahanka,Bangalore-560024

Demand Notice: 16.07.2021 **Possession Notice: 06.01.2022**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.71,46,086/- (Rupees Seventy one Lakh Forty six thousand and Eighty Six Only) as on 02-01-2023 + Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f.02-01-2023 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further Payments, if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE 'A'PROPERTY [Entire Property] : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Corporation No.23/58/1, 58/7, 58/8 and 58/9, situated at Dasarahalli, Bangalore, Ward No.6, comprised in the composite converted Sy. Nos.58/1, 58/7, 58/8 and 58/9 of Dasarahalli Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, totally measuring 17,152 Sq.Ft. and bounded on as follows: East by : Land bearing Sy.No.59 & 61; West by : Road and thereafter remaining portion of the land in Sy.No.58/1,7,8 and 9; North by: Remaining portion of Sy. No.60; South by : Road and thereafter remaining portion of Sy.No.58/1 SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY (Undivided right in the land in Schedule A Property which is the subject matter of this Agreement of Sale) All that piece and parcel of 359.442 sq.ft., undivided right, title and interest over the land in Schedule A Property Conveyed to the Purchaser herein. SCHEDULE 'C'PROPERTY (Residential Apartment which is the subject matter of this Agreement of Sale) All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No.301 on the SECOND FLOOR in apartment building known as "VENSA LAKEVIEW" being constructed over Schedule "A" Property with a Super Built Area of 1,269 square feet consisting of TWO Bedroom, One Hall, Dining Hall, Kitchen, Two Bathroom, Balcony and flooring with Tiles, Water, Electricity and Sanitary facilities with one Reserved Car Parking space in the Stilt Floor. East by : Open to Sky, West by : Corridor, North by : Corridor & Open to sky, South by : Open to sky.

Reserve Price: Rs.63,20,000/- **EMD: Rs.6,32,000/-**

(4) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr.Jayaprathap Ramamurthy and Mrs.Hamsa N No.314, 2nd Main, 2nd C Cross, Near CMR college OBMR layout, Chikkabanasawadi, Bangalore North – 5600034.

Demand Notice: 06.02.2023 **Possession Notice: 07.12.2023**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.33,89,872.90 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Two and Paisa Ninety Only) as on 09.02.2024 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-02-2024. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged :Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing H.Gollahalli Gram Panchayath No.150200302600220038, (fanned in Sy.No.28/1) admeasuring 3 Acres and 8 Guntas out of 4 acres and 29 guntas, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Banga ore South Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on the: East by Sy.No.28/2 belonging to the Vendor; Westby Remaining portion in Sy.No.28/1, Road adjacent to Sy.No.28/1 and Sri.Venkatapura Village Borde; North by Remaining Portion of the Property bearing Sy No.28/1 ; South by;Sy No.26

Schedule 'B' Property : 660.64 Square Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property excluding the land reserved for road admeasuring approximately 183.63 Square Mete

Schedule 'C' Property : All that piece and parcel of the apartment bearing No: A2-312, 3rd Floor, Block 'A', building known as 'VBHC Palmhaven', having H.Gollahalli Gram Panchayat Property No :1502003026oono667, admeasuring 750 Square Feet of super built up area, with one covered car parking space and bounded as follows: East by Flat No.314; West by Flat No.310; North by Corridor/Fiat No.311; South by Park.

Reserve Price: Rs.37,10,000/- **EMD: Rs.3,71,000/-**

(5) Name & Address of the Borrower: SAMSON A , S/o Aruldass & Mrs. Selvi, D/o Krishna, R/o No. 28, 11th Main road, 9thCross, Abbigere Main Road, Raghavendra Layout Kammagondanahalli, Banglaore. 560015.

Demand Notice: 13.08.2021 **Possession Notice: 14.12.2021**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.56,75,277.00 (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Only) as on 09.09.2024 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-09-2024. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of vacant site bearing Nos. 9 to 13 of khata No. 449/28/6, which measuring to an extent of 1 acre and 22 guntas, which is carved out of converted land property bearing Sy. No. 28/6, in vide: Conversion Order No. ALN.SR(N)338/2004-05, dated 07-05-2005, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, situated at Kereguddadahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, and bounded on: East by : Road; West by : Private Property; North by : Road; South by : Private Property.

SCHEDULE 'B'PROPERTY : 296 Sq. Ft of undivided share, rights, title and interest in the total land of Schedule " A" property referred to above.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Flat bearing No. 104, in the First Floor, constructed over the Schedule " A" property contains 3 bed rooms, kitchen, Dinning, Toilets, Living Room with one Car Parking bearing no. 104 and the super built area measuring 1404 sq. ft of the Apartment known as " DS-MAX Splendor Nest" together with an undivided share, right, title and interest of land as specified in Schedule " B" property referred to above, along with water & electricity together with common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas for common use.

Reserve Price: Rs. 48,80,000/- **EMD: Rs. 4,88,000/-**

(6) Name & Address of the Borrower: Manjunath R & Smt Honamma , S/o Pamakrishnappa ,No-95/1, Hulthar Hosadoddi, Bidadi, Ramnagar (T), Ramnagar (D) Pin-562109.

Demand Notice: 30.01.2023 **Possession Notice: 24.05.2023**

Outstanding Amount:Rs.10,04,695/-(Ten Lakh Four Thousand Six Hundred and ninety Five only) due as on 30-11-2022 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 01-12-2022. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcels of the Plot No.118,Kaneshumari No.168/118,Syno.189,190,191 E, Khata No .152900400300401920,Bannikupe Village, Bidadi, Bannikupe road, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk in the state of Karnataka and is bounded by : North by: Site No.115, South by: Road, East by: Site No.119 West by : Site No.117

Reserve Price: Rs.13,60,000/- **EMD: Rs.1,36,000/-**

(7) Name & Address of the Borrower: Ms.Veena Lakshmi & Mr.Parasuraman C S Ms. Veena Lakshmi Parasuraman,D/o.Mr.Parasuraman C ,Residing at No.38, Kagal nagar Road, No.2,Jamshedpur, Sonari East, Singhbhum, Jarkhand-831011.

Demand Notice: 13.09.2023 **Possession Notice: 21.05.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 61, 51,229.00/- (Sixty One Lakh Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Nine Rupees only) towards the outstanding dues in respect of the Loans as on 09-08-2023, together with further interest and charges thereon.

Property details: SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy.No;108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No:108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No:150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No:B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and bounded on the : East By : Land in Sy.No:108/2: West By: Road, carved out of kharab land; North By : Road, carved out of kharab land; South By Tank Bed

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : (Undivided share, right, title and interest of land to be conveyed under this Sale Deed) 400 Sq.Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE 'C PROPERTY (Apartment conveyed under this Sale Deed) : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. E-401 totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq.ft in the Third Floor in "E" Block along with covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt Floor numbered as E-401 along with 400 Sq.ft of undivided interest in land comprising Schedule 'A' Property is one of such apartment units/flats in the said Apartment Building "GARDEN RESIDENCY", situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, JIgani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru and bounded on: East by: Residential Apartment Privately numbered as E-402 in Third Floor of "E" Block,West by: Common stair case North by: Area open to sky of the apartment building,South by: Common Corridor. Together with fixtures and fittings attached to the above mentioned property

Reserve Price: Rs. 41,45,500/- **EMD: Rs. 4,14,550/-**

(8) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Jintesh M J and Mrs. Thresiamma T J - No.104, Ponnachi House, Opposite New Age Public School, Rayasandra Huskur Post, Anekal Talik Bangalore – 560 099.

Demand Notice: 14.06.2023 **Possession Notice: 12.11.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.50,13,610/-(Rupees Fifty Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Six hundred and Ten only) as on 05/06/2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 06-06-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Schedule 'A' Property : ITEM No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the Residental converted land measuring an extent of 31 guntas comprised in Sy No.164/3 of S Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated 16.12.2008 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on the : - EAST By :Land bearing Sy No. 164/2, West By :Land bearing Sy No.72,, North By :Land bearing Sy No.164/1 & South By :Land bearing Sy No.165.

ITEM No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the Residental converted land measuring an extent of 25 guntas comprised in Sy No.165/1 of S Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated 22.07.2010 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on the : - EAST By : Land bearing Sy No. 172, West By : Land bearing Sy No.72, North By :Land bearing Sy No.164, South By : Land bearing Sy No.165/2.

Schedule B Property : 0.50% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A property, measuring about 307 Sq ft in an undivided state has been sold to the PURCHASER by the owners / developer under this sale deed

Schedule C Property : Residential Apartment having E katha No.150200102701021013, bearing Flat No.316 situated in Second floor of the building, measuring about 942 Sq ft of super built up area consisting of one Bed Room with RCC roofing, tiled flooring, molded doors and aluminum windows including proportionate share in common area such passage, lobbies, staircase, lift and other areas of common use contained in the residential apartment complex know as "PUSHPAM E TOWN" constructed on the schedule A property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the PURCHASER, built according the plan approved by Anekal planning Authority vide its order No. CC/526/2013-14, dated 30.10.2013 on single site plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2012-13, bounded on : - East By : Ots Road, West By:common Corridor, North By: Apartment No.312, South By: Common Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs.39,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.3,90,000/-**

(9) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Manjunath M & Mrs. Shashikala M, No.G1, BWSSB Qrts, 9th Cross, Srinivas Nagar, Sunkadakatte, Bangalore – 560 091.

Demand Notice: 14.06.2023 **Possession Notice: 12.11.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 34,87,610.78 (Rupees Thirty Four Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Six hundred and Ten and paisa Seventy Eight only) as on 06/06/2023, together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 07-06-2023. (less further payments) , if any.

Property details: SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY Schedule 'A' Property ITEM No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the Residental converted land measuring an extent of 31 guntas comprised in Sy No.164/3 of S Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated 16.12.2008 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/54/2008-09, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on the : - EAST By : Land bearing Sy No. 164/2, West By : Land bearing Sy No.72, North By : Land bearing Sy No.164/1, South By : Land bearing Sy No.165.

ITEM No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the Residental converted land measuring an extent of 25 guntas comprised in Sy No.165/1 of S Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (duly converted vide official Memorandum dated 22.07.2010 bearing No.ALN(AS)SR/22/2010-11, issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District and bounded on the : - EAST By : Land bearing Sy No. 172, West By : Land bearing Sy No.72, North By : Land bearing Sy No.164, South By : Land bearing Sy No.165/2.

Schedule B Property : 0.64% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A property, measuring about 390.5 Sq ft in an undivided state has been sold to the PURCHASER by the owners / developer under this sale deed

Schedule C Property : Residential Apartment having E katha No.150200102701020949, bearing No.311 situated in Second floor of the building, measuring about 1198 Sq ft (111.3 Sq meters) of super built up area consisting of Two Bed Room with RCC roofing, flooring, molded doors and aluminum windows including proportionate share in common area such passage, lobbies, staircase, lifts and other areas of common use contained in the residential apartment complex know as "PUSHPAM E TOWN" constructed on the schedule A property with one covered car parking space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the PURCHASER, built according the plan approved by Anekal planning Authority vide its order No. CC/526/2013-14, dated 30.10.2013 on single site plan approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide its order No.LAO/34/2012-13, bounded on : - EAST BY : Common Corridor, WEST BY : Apartment No.310, NORTH BY: Lift, SOUTH BY : Apartment No.315.

Reserve Price: Rs. 48,73,000/- **EMD: Rs. 4,87,300/-**

(10) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mrs. Lakshmi Srinivasa & Mrs. Rathna Srinivasa W/o Mr.Srinivasa K V # 14, 2nd Main Road, Opp Malleshwaram Railway Station, Gandhi Grama, Gayathrinagar, Bangalore-560021.

Demand Notice: 20-07-2021 **Possession Notice: 08-06-2022**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 94,74,408/- (Rupees Ninety Four Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred and Eight Only) as on 02-08-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 02-08-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5 measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas and Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6 measuring 21 Guntas both the properties totally measuring 1 Acre 38 Guntas, (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), Presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No.359/73/5/73/6/17, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk. Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; West by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; North by : Land bearing Sy.No.73/4; South by : Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 370 Sq.feet, undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property (proportionate to the Schedule C Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: Residential Apartment bearing No.001 in the Ground Floor, Block-B, in Wing-D, admeasuring a super built area of 1380 Square Feet, consisting of 2 Bedrooms, in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building Known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property Inclusive of proportionate share in the common area such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on: East by: Corridor, West by: Open to sky: North by: Open to sky: South by: Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs.52,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,20,000/-**

(11) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mrs. Lakshmi Srinivasa & Mrs. Rathna Srinivasa W/o Mr.Srinivasa K V # 14, 2nd Main Road, Opp Malleshwaram Railway Station, Gandhi Grama, Gayathrinagar, Bangalore-560021.

Demand Notice: 20-07-2021 **Possession Notice: 08-06-2022**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.91,92,604/- (Rupees Ninety One Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred and Four Only) as on 02-08-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 02-08-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5 measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas and Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6 measuring 21 Guntas both the properties totally measuring 1 Acre 38 Guntas, (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), Presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No.359/73/5/73/6/17, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk. Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; West by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; North by : Land bearing Sy.No.73/4; South by : Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 328 Sq.feet, undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property (proportionate to the Schedule C Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: Residential Apartment bearing No.402 in the Fourth Floor, Block-B, in Wing-D, admeasuring a super built area of 1224 Square Feet, consisting of 2 Bedrooms, in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building Known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property Inclusive of proportionate share in the common area such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking space slot to be earmarked and the apartment is bounded on: East by: Corridor, West by: Open to sky: North by: Open to sky: South by: Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs.46,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.4,60,000/-**

(12) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Kunigal Govidasetty Swamy & Mrs. B N Leelavathi, S/o. Mr. Kunigal Sheshaiah Govindasetty, No.2440, Housing Board Colony, Kunigal , K.R.S. Agrahara, Tumkur Road, Kunigal- 572130.

Demand Notice: 02-11-2018 **Possession Notice: 13-06-2019**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.91,92,604/- (Rupees Ninety One Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred and Four Only) as on 02-08-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 02-08-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/5 measuring 1 Acre 17 Guntas and Residential Converted Land Bearing Sy.No.73/6 measuring 21 Guntas both the properties totally measuring 1 Acre 38 Guntas, (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 6/7/2013, bearing No.ALN(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore), Presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No.359/73/5/73/6/17, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk. Bangalore and bounded as: East by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; West by : Remaining portion of Sy.No.73/5 and 73/6; North by : Land bearing Sy.No.73/4; South by : Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 314 Sq.feet, undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule-'A' Property (proportionate to the Schedule-C Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY-: Residential Apartment bearing No.412 in the Fourth Floor, Block-B, in Wing-C, admeasuring a super built area of 1172 Square Feet, consisting of 2 Bedrooms, in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building Known as "SRI KRISHNA EXCEL STONE", constructed over the Schedule "A" Property Inclusive of proportionate share in the common area such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area, (including half portion in depth of the joints between the Ceiling of the Apartment and floors of the apartment above it, internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking space slot to be earmarked.

Reserve Price: Rs.44,10,000/- **EMD: Rs.4,41,000/-**

(13) Name & Address of the Borrower: (1) Mr.BRM Hema Maheshwar (2) Mrs.M G Shubhamangala, Bajaj House,22A,Lane 2, Diamond Park, Near Wisdom World School.Wakad, Pune-411057.

Demand Notice: 18.12.2018 **Possession Notice: 20.05.2019**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.71,36,362/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Two Only) as on 02-08-2023 +Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f. 02-08-2023 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.55,59,62,66,56,57,64,65,58,60,61 and 63, V.P Katha Nos.1217/55, 1221/59,1224/62,1228/66,1218/56,1219/57,1226/64,1227/65, 1220/58,1222/60,1223/61 &1225/63 respectively, Presently bears clubbed common Katha No.1218/56-1219/57-1220/58-1222/60-1223/61-1227/65-12, Sl.No.150200101500401329, situated in the layout Known as "BR Valley Park" formed in converted Sy.Nos.48/1,48/2,48/3,48/4 and 49/2 {the land bearing Sy Nos.48/1 & 48/2 is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009, bearing No.ALN (A) (K and A) SR:398/07-08, and land bearing Sy.No.48/3 & 48/4, is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:41/10-11, and land bearing Sy.No.49/2, is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009 bearing No.ALN (A) (K and A) SR:397/07-08 for the measuring 32.08 Guntas and Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:42/10-11 for the measuring 33.08 Guntas} and a layout approved by the Anekal Planning Authority vide No.APA/LAO/65/2010-11, dated 17/05/2011, situated at Balagaranahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, and totally measures East to West 54.43 Mtrs and North to South 30 Mtrs, totally Measuring 1632.9 Sq.Mts or 17576.54 Sq.feet, the said Property presently physical Availability measuring about 1626.45 Sq.Mts or 17507.1078 Sq.feet with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by: Road; West by: 3M Pathway and Park, North by: Road; South by: Road;

Schedule-"B": 345 Sq.ft. undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule-"A" above.

Schedule-"C": Flat bearing No.310, Property ID No.150200101500420199, in the Third Floor, measuring about 1150 Sq.ft. super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages,l obbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as "PEACE PARK".

Reserve Price: Rs.29,50,000/- **EMD: Rs.2,95,000/-**

(14) Name & Address of the Borrower: (1) Mr.BRM Hema Maheshwar (2) Mrs.M G Shubhamangala, Bajaj House,22A,Lane 2, Diamond Park, Near Wisdom World School.Wakad, Pune-411057.

Demand Notice: 18.12.2018 **Possession Notice: 20.05.2019**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.79,66,817/- (Rupees Seventy Nine Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen Only Only) as on 02-08-2023 +Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f. 02-08-2023 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.55,59,62,66,56,57,64,65,58,60,61 and 63, V.P.Katha Nos.1217/55,1221/59,1224/62,1228/66, 1218/56,1219/57, 1226/64, 1227/65, 1220/58,1222/60,1223/61 &1225/63 respectively, Presently bears clubbed common Katha No.1218/56-1219/57-1220/58-1222/60-1223/61-1227/65-12, Sl.No.150200101500401329, situated in the layout Known as "BR Valley Park" formed in converted Sy.Nos.48/1, 48/2,48/3,48/4 and 49/2 {the land bearing Sy nos.48/1 & 48/ 2 is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009, bearing No.ALN(A) (Kand A) SR:398/07-08, and Land bearing Sy.No.48/3 & 48/4, is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:41/10-11, and land bearing Sy.No.49/2, is converted by the office of the Special Deputy Commissioner Vide Official Memorandum dated 31/03/2009, bearing No.ALN(A)(K and A) SR:397/07-08 for the measuring 32.08 Guntas and Official Memorandum dated 11/11/2010, bearing No.ALN (A) (A) SR:42/10-11 for the measuring 33.08 Guntas} and a layout approved by the Anekal Planning Authority vide No.APA/LAO/65/2010-11, dated 17/05/2011, situated at Balagaranahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, and totally measures East to West: 54.43 Mtrs and North to South: 30 Mtrs, totally Measuring 1632.9 Sq.Mts or 17576.54 Sq.feet, the said Property presently physical Availability measuring about 1626.45 Sq.Mts or 17507.1078 Sq.feet with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by: Road; West by: 3M Pathway and Park, North by: Road ; South by: Road.

Schedule-"B": 345 Sq.feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule-"A" above.

Schedule-"C": Flat bearing No.309, Property ID No.150200101 500420163, in the Third Floor, measuring about 1150 Sq.ft. super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., of the multistoried residential building known as "PEACE PARK".

Reserve Price: Rs.29,50,000/- **EMD: Rs.2,95,000/-**

(15) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Siddappa & Mrs. Sujathaa No. 108, BEL Colony, Behind Ganesh Temple, Jalahalli, Bengaluru-560013.

Demand Notice: 12-06-2023 **Possession Notice: 07-09-2023**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.25,65,857/-(Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) as on 10-05-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-05-2023. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No. 14, known as Nanjundeshwara Nagara C Block, formed in Sy No. 53, Khata No. 463(old), 463/14(New) and vajarahalli village, Panchayat Khata No ID: 150300701900802452 situated at Mallapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring East to West: 40-0 feet and North to South: 30-0 feet and bounded as follows. East by: Road, West by: Site No. 12, North by: Road, South by: Site No. 13.

Reserve Price: Rs.22,80,000/- **EMD: Rs.2,28,000/-**

(16) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Nagaraju Chamarthi, No. 10, Hebbal, Kempapura Patel, Venkatesh Gowda Layout, Bangalore-560024.

Demand Notice: 12-12-2019 **Possession Notice: 20-03-2020**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.88,72,174.19 (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakh Seventy Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy Four And Paise Nineteen Only) as on 10-12-2019 + Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f. 11-12-2019 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further payments , if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY: COMPOSITE SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY (Description of the entire land) : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Converted Land bearing Survey Nos.49/3 & 49/4, which is duly converted for residential purpose vide its conversion order No.ALN:(S.B)SR:18/2010-11, dt:14-07-

PUBLIC NOTICE

We, **Mr. Firoz Hussain H.M.,** Son of Late Mirza Hussain, aged about 53 years, residing at No. 86, GPR Layout, Huskur Road, Electronic City, Bengaluru 560100, and **SRI. S. NANJUNDAIAH,** Son of S. Adimurthy, aged about 51 years, residing at Classic Paradise, Begur, Bangalore 560 060, hereby notify the general public that We were the Agreement Holder in respect of certain immovable properties forming part of residentially converted lands measuring 47 Acres 23 Guntas, developed into a residential layout known as **"OXIGEN",** situated at **Gudigattanahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District,** comprised in converted Survey Nos. 68/1, 68/2, 68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 93, 95, 96, 97/1, 97/2, 97/3, 97/4 and 98/1, as more fully detailed in the Schedule annexed hereto.

Sl No.	Site No.	Sq Ft	Converted Survey Number	Registered Document Type	Date Of Register	Registered Document Number
1	323	2400	92	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07984-2014-15
2	325	2400	92	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07984-2014-15
3	326	2921	92	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07984-2014-15
4	346	3088	91 & 92	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07984-2014-15
5	347	2921	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07988/2014-15
6	348	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07988/2014-15
7	349	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07988/2014-15
8	351	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07988/2014-15
9	352	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07988/2014-15
10	355	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07986/2014-15
11	356	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07986/2014-15
12	357	2400	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07986/2014-15
13	359	2995	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07986/2014-15
14	360	3888	91	Agreement To Sell	03-02-2015	ABL-1-07986/2014-16
15	322	2400	92	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07985-2014-15
16	361	3917	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07985/2014-15
17	362	3917	91	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07985/2014-15
18	369	2575	69/2	Agreement To Sell	02-02-2015	ABL-1-07985/2014-15

We further state that the sites formed in the said Sites were covered under registered Agreements to Sell, registered at the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Attibele, stored under CD No. ABLD-231, and registered on 02-02-2015. This is to further inform that the original agreement to sell mentioned above and in respect of the Site's mentioned above has been lost and is not traceable and has been reported to the Police on 11.12.2025, vide Lost Report No.1951679/2025. we have already Cancelled This Agreement to Sell of these properties mentioned above with vendor, and if these documents are found, kindly return to the address stated below within seven days **(07 days)** of the publication of this notice.

Mr. Firoz Hussain H.M., Son of Late Mirza Hussain,
aged about 43 years, residing at No. 86, GPR Layout,
Huskur Road, Electronic City, Bengaluru 560100. Ph No. 8105385555

IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL – DRT-2
AT BENGALURU, KARNATAKA
4th Floor, Telephone House,
Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru – 560001.
Original Application No. 2276 / 2024

Applicant / Plaintiff: State Bank of India, B M Road, Bidadi Branch, Branch Code 40676, Mahadeswara Complex, Janatha Colony, Ramangara Taluk, Bangalore Rural District – 562129. Represented by its Branch Manager Sri. SOVON KHAN, S/o. Sadhan Chandra Khan, Aged about 30 years, **Mobile No. 9606098743**
E-mail: sbi.40676@sbi.co.in

Vs

Defendant: M/s.PL INDUSTRIES, Proprietor – Pinky Lalwani, #45/60 Feet Road, JC Nagar Main Road, Kurubrahalli, Mahalakshmipuram Post, Bangalore – 560086.
Mobile – 9742371111/9844505594
E-mail: plindustries79@gmail.com
Also at: Ms. Pinky Lalwani, W/o. Bharat Lalwani, R/a. # 39/2, Maharaja Paradise, 5th Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru – 560 018
...**DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

Whereas the applicant Bank has instituted an application under section 19 (1) of the Recovery of Debts Due to the Banks and Financial Institution Act 1993 against you for recovery of sum of Rs. Rs.52,96,378/- together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby required to showcause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons **on or before 27-04-2026 at 10-30 am** in the forenoon in person or by a pleader / advocate duly instructed as to why the reliefs prayed should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this the 31-12-2025.

By the orders of the Tribunal
Sd/- Signature of the Registrar, Authorised to issue summons, DRT – 2, Bangalore.

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Bengaluru Zone : # 11, 1st Floor, K. G. Road, Bengaluru-09.
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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A (See Provison to Rule 8(6))]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by **The Authorized Officer of BANK OF INDIA,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for Recovery of below mentioned amount/s. The details of Borrower/s / Guarantor/s / Secured Asset/s Dues / Reserve Price / e-Auction Date, Time & EMD are mentioned below.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s / Guarantor/s / Mortgagor (s)	Description of the Immoveable Property with Known Encumberances	Branch Name Account No; Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount	Status of Possession (Symbolic / Physical)	Property Inspection Time
1.	**1. Mrs. Ramadevi C C/o. CK Raju** No. 37, 1st Main, 16th Main, GH Layout, LIC Colony, Byrasandra, Bangalore 560011 **Also Available At :** No. 22, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, LIC colony, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560011. **2. Mr. C K Raju S/o. C Balaram,** No. 22 Ground Floor, 4th Cross, LIC Colony, 1st Main, Jayanagar, 3rd Block East, Bangalore South - 560041 **3. M/s. Sri Sai Lalitha Traders** No. 12/9, Old No. 1219, No. 4 and 5, G H Layout, 16th Main, 2nd Cross, LIC Colony, Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore Urban - 560011 **4. Ms. Sai Swetha C,** No. 37, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, LIC Colony, Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bangalore South - 560011. **5. Mr. Venkatesh C C/o. C K Raju,** No. 37, 1st Main, 16th Main, GH Layout, LIC Colony, Byrasandra, Bangalore - 560011.	**Schedule-A :-** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 19 and 20, Old Khatha No. 24/1 and 24/2, then BBMP Khatha No.s. 998/24/1/19 and 987/38/24/1/24/2/20, Present BBMP Khatha No. 998/24/1/24/2/19&20, Situated at Sarakki Kere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Puttenahalli Ward No. 187, Sarakki Kere, Bangalore. Measuring : East to West : 67-0 feet and North to South : 75-0 feet, in all Measuring 5025 square feet, and **bounded on the : East by :** Private Property, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No. 18, **South By :** Private Property. **Schedule-B :-** Undivided share of the land of 223 Sft. **Schedule-C :-** All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing Flat No. 304 (2 BHK), in Second Floor, North facing, Measuring 1200 Sq. Feet of Super Built Area, in the Apartment building known as "DEVI GRAND VIEW", Constructed in the Schedule 'A' herein above, together with 223 Sq.Feet of Undivided Share, Right, Title, Interest and Ownership and Sital Area comprising of the Flat Consisting of Two Bed Rooms, Hall, Dining, Kitchen, Balcony, Utility, Bath Rooms and Toilets, Consisting of Flush Shutter with Hardwood Frames, Main Door Teak Wood Frame & Shutter and Aluminium Windows having vitrified flooring and One Car Parking Marked as at the Stilt floor in Schedule 'A' Property and bounded on :- **East By :** Open to Sky, **West By :** Flat No. 301, **North By :** Corridor, **South By :** Flat No. 303.	**Branch : Asset Recovery Branch** **For Housing Loan (849075110000343) and Cash Credit Loan (849030150000002) For Recovery of Rs. 86,11,286.67 (Rupees Eighty-Six Lakhs Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Six Paisa Six Seven) along with further interest thereon from 25-07-2024 along with costs and other charges due**	**28-01-2026 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm**	**Reserve Price : Rs. 55,20,000/- EMD : Rs. 5,52,000/-**	**Physical**	**10.00 AM To 4.00 PM Contact Details 98504 77529**

To the best knowledge and information available with the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on the property referred above. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of the property and to inspect & satisfy them. The auction will be online E-Auction Sale/Bidding and shall be done only through "Online Electronic Bidding" process through the **Website : https://www.baanknet.com** For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **https://www.baanknet.com or https://www.bankofindia.co.in/tenders.** The Authorised Officer has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone/cancel the sale/modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason. **Date & Time of E-auction : 28-01-2026 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm** (with unlimited extension of 10 minutes if bidding continues till sale is concluded).

Date : 02-01-2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Chief Manager & Authorised Officer

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(18) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Anurag Srivastav, Flat No.A-404. 4th Floor of A-Block, "AAKRUTI AMITY", Kammasandra Village, Athibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.

Demand Notice: 07.06.2024 **Possession Notice: 12.11.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.1,02,88,429.82 (Rupees One Crore Two Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Nine and Eighty Two paisa only), as on 10-03-2024 + Applicable interest and charges thereon less deposits made further if any.

Property details: Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of the Property, converted land vide orders of conversion bearing Nos. (a) B.Dis. ALN (A)/SR/ 366/2004/2005 dated. 28/01/2005, (b) B.Dis. ALN (A)/SR/365/2004-05 dated. 28/01/2005 and (c) B.Dis. ALN (A)/(K86A) SR. 184/2005-06, bearing Sy. No. 6/1 measuring in all 3 Acres 19 Guntas which is conjoint together situated at Kammasandra Village, Athibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the East by : Govt. Halla, West by: Ananthanagar Layout, North by : Ananthanagar Layout & remaining portion of Sy No, 6/1 belonging to Lakshmana, South by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 6/ land 60' Road

Schedule 'B' Property: A Two Bedrooms Flat / Apartment bearing Flat No.A-404. on the Fourth Floor of A-Block of the building known as "AAKRUTI AMITY" constructed in the Schedule-A Property with a super built up area of 1820 square feet (which is inclusive of proportionate share in balconies, common amenities, common areas attributable thereto and limited access to terrace area i.e., from the lift room to the water tank for the purpose of repairs), with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Tile Flooring, Aluminium Windows etc., together with 598 ft undivided share of right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule-A Property and one Surface covered car parking space in the Ground and bounded on the: East by : Corridor, West by : Open Space, North by : Flat no. 403, South by : Flat no. 405.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,20,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.12,00,000/-**

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(19) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Jayashankar Veluswamy Mrs. Shailaja, Flat No 207, 2nd Floor, Additri Lotus, Yelahanka Grama, Bisanahalli Thota, Bengaluru.

Demand Notice: 27-06-2024 **Possession Notice: 21-09-2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.1,05,30,898.19/- (Rupees One Crore Five Lakh Thirty Thousand Eighty Hundred and Ninety Eight and Nineteen Paisa only) as on 09-06-2024 and applicable interest as on . (less further payments , if any).

Property details: All that piece and parcel of residentially converted property bearing New Municipal No 1190/SL No 85/1A; Sy No 85/1B, Old bearing No 85/1, Old CMC Yelahanka Khata No 455/829/389/1/334/1 situated at Yelahanka Grama, Bisanahalli Thota, coverted vide order No ALN (NY) SR 42/2013-14 dated 06-06-2013 & ALN (NY) SR.3/2014-15 dtd 11.08.2014 issued by Deputy Commissioner Bangalore Dist, presently under the limits of BBMP Yelahanka Grama Ward No 1, measuring 21780 Sq Ft or 0-20 guntas and bounded on the East by Road West by Property bearing Sy No 85/1B North by Property bearing Sy No 83 South by Property bearing Sy No 84SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 641.80 Sq.Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property. SCHEDULE "C"PROERTY – Residential Flat bearing No. 207, on the second floor measuring super built up area of 1800 Sq feet in the multi-storeyed residential apartment building known as Aditri Lotus.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,06,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.10,60,000/-**

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(20) Name & Address of the Borrower: Smt Chanderprabha & Shri Sanjay Kumar Verma , vacant site no 115, Khata No 115, presently as per Haragadde Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk. Bangalore Urban District.

Demand Notice: 20-01-2025 **Possession Notice: 26-03-2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.69,52,354/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Four Only) as on 10/10/2024, together with further interest and charges thereon.

Property details: SCHEDULE OF THE Property : All that piece and parcel of the property of Immovable residential property bearing vacant site no 115, Khata No 115, presently as per Haragadde Village, Pachayath Katha Form 9, PID NO 150200102800900726 Property 115/151, carved out of residentially converted land in Survey No 86, duly converted from Agriculture to Non Agriculture purpose vide conversion order no ALN AJ SR/156,157,160,164,170,178,171/2007-08 dtd 11.07.2008 and duly approved by BMDA/APR, vide its approval bearing no APA/LAO/15/2008-09 dtd 30-06-2009 in the residential layout known as Castle Woods. situated at Hargadde Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk. Bangalore Urban District, measuring East to West 47.50 feet on North ,North to South 67 feet on East,66 feet on West totally measuring 2959 Sq Ft. and bounded on the East by :Site No 150,West by Road,North by Road,South by Site No 152.

Reserve Price: Rs.83,50,000/- **EMD: Rs.8,35,000/-**

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(21) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mrs Nnelli Supriya Pathak & Mr Venkata Prasad Teki vacant site bearing No.25, Khatha No.227/25, Binnamangla Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

Demand Notice: 17-07-2025 **Possession Notice: 24.09.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.24,40,651/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Forty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty One Only) as on 09/06/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon. (less further payments , if any).

Property details: Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of residential vacant site bearing No.25, Khatha No.227/25, PID No. 150300200100320599, measuring East to West 12 meters and North to South, 9 meters, in all measuring 108 Sq.mtrs carved in converted land, Sy.No. 57/2 (schedule-A property) converted for residential use vide two official memorandums bearing Nos. ALN(De)SR. 119/08-09 dtd. 13.10.2009 for 34 guntas and No.8958 dated 20.08.2019 for 1 acre 35 guntas, both issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Rural District, the composite residential layout plan of which has been approved by BIAAPA, vide bearing no. BIAAPA/TP/03/LAO/12/2020-21/937 dated 11-08-2022, situated at Binnamangla Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District together with all rights, appurtenances in whatsoever manner whether underneath or above the surface and commonly bounded on as below: On the East by : 9 MTRS ROAD On the West by : SITE NO.28 On the South by : SITE NO.24 On the North by : SITE NO.26.

Reserve Price: Rs.42,86,000/- **EMD: Rs.4,28,600/-**

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(22) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Mahesh Babu A Flat bearing No. BE-308, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY, Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District.

Demand Notice: 02.03.2024 **Possession Notice: 25.10.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.65,40,474.18 (Rupees Sixty Five Lakh Forty Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Four and Eighteen Paise only) as on 09.02.2024 + Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f.02-01-2023 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further Payments, if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE 'A'PROPERTY : [Entire Property] All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy.No: 108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No: 150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No:B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and bounded on the East By: Land in Sy.No:108/2; West By: Road carved out of kharab land; North By: Road, carved out of kharab land; South By: Tank Bed. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 400 Sq.Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE "C"PROERTY: (Apartment unit hereby agreed to be conveyed): All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit, i.e., Flat bearing No. BE-308, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY" as totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq. ft. together with corresponding 400 Sq.ft. un divided share situated in the Second Floor in 'E' Tower, 'B' Block, along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor, (which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas) as per plan attached hereto; with one covered car parking space in the Basement floor and bounded on the East By: Common Staircase area; West By: Residential Apartment Privately numbered as E-307 in second floor of 'B' Block E Tower; North By : Area open to sky of the apartment Building; South By : Common Corridor

Reserve Price: Rs.51,30,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,13,000/-**

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(23) Name & Address of the Borrower: G S Kantesh Flat bearing No. E-101, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY, Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District

Demand Notice: 12-12-2023 **Possession Notice: 02-09-2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.59,05,101.00/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakh Five Thousand One Hundred One only) due as on 09-10-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-02-2024. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged : Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy.No;108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No:108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No:150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No:B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and bounded on the : East By : Land in Sy.No:108/2: West By: Road, carved out of kharab land; North By : Road, carved out of kharab land; South By Tank Bed

Schedule 'B' Property : 400 Sq.Ft of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property which is the corresponding undivided share in respect of schedule "c" apartment;

Schedule 'C' Property : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. E-101 totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq.ft in the Ground Floor in "E" Block along with covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt Floor numbered as E-101 along with 400 Sq.ft of undivided interest in land comprising Schedule 'A' Property is one of such apartment units/flats in the said Apartment Building "GARDEN RESIDENCY", situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, JIgani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru and bounded on: West by: Common staircase area East by:Residential Apartment Privately numbered as E-102 in Ground Floor Of "E" Block North by: Area open to sky of the apartment building and South by: Common Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs.51,30,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,13,000/-**

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(24) Name & Address of the Borrower: Pavithra E at Flat bearing No. E-101, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY, Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District

Demand Notice: 22.01.2024 **Possession Notice: 25.10.2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.69,32,000/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakh Thirty Two Thousand only) as on 18-10-2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-09-2024. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy,No:108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No;108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No: 150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No;B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner. Bangalore) together with 200 residential apartment known as Garden Residency, unit/s in "A,B,C,D,E & F" Blocks together with car parking slots, and bounded on the East By: Land in Sy.No:108/2; West By: Road carved out of kharab land; North By: Road, carved out of kharab land; South By: Tank Bed.

SCHEDULE 'B'PROPERTY: 400 Sq.Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE 'C'PROPERTY (Apartment unit hereby agreed to be conveyed): All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit, i.e., Flat bearing No. BF-202, in "F" Tower B Block First Floor the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY" as totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq. ft. together with corresponding 400 Sq.ft. un divided share situated in Second Floor in 'E' Tower 'B' Block, along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor, (which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas) as per plan attached hereto; with one covered car parking space in the Basement floor and bounded on the East By: Area open to sky of the apartment Building; West By: Residential Apartment Privately numbered as BF-201 in First Floor of "F" Block; North By : Area open to sky of the apartment Building; South By : Common Corridor Area.

Reserve Price: Rs.51,30,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,13,000/-**

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(25) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Shirshendu Mukhopadhyay and Mrs. Jhilik Mukherjee at Flat bearing No. BF-108, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY, Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District.

Demand Notice: 22-01-2024 **Possession Notice: 11-04-2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 64,23,031/- (Rupees Sixty Four Lakh Twnety Three Thousand and Thirty One only) as on 19-01-2024 together with interest there on.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY (Description of the entire property on which the Apartment Building being constructed) : All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy,No:108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No;108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No: 150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No;B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner. Bangalore) together with 200 residential apartment known as Garden Residency, unit/s in "A,B,C,D,E & F" Blocks together with car parking slots, and bounded on the East By: Land in Sy.No:108/2; West By: Road carved out of kharab land; North By: Road, carved out of kharab land; South By: Tank Bed.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 400 Sq.Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE "C"PROERTY (Apartment unit hereby agreed to be conveyed): All that piece and parcel of property comprising one apartment unit, i.e., Flat bearing No. BF-108, in "F" Tower B Block Ground Floor the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY" as totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq. ft. together with corresponding 400 Sq.ft. un divided share situated in Ground Floor in 'F' Tower 'B' Block, along with one Covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt floor, (which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas) as per plan attached hereto; with one covered car parking space in the Basement floor and bounded on the East By: Common Staircase Area; West By: Residential Apartment Privately numbered as BF-107 in Ground Floor of "F" Tower B Block; North By : Area open to sky of the apartment Building; South By : Common Corridor

Reserve Price: Rs.51,30,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,13,000/-**

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(26) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Oommen C Oommen & Mrs. Ajitha Varghese , Flat bearing No. BE-107, in the apartment known "GARDEN RESIDENCY, Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District.

Demand Notice: 22-01-2024 **Possession Notice: 25-10-2024**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 62,25,328/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakh Twenty Five Lakh Three Hundred and Twenty Eight only) as on 18-10-2023, together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 07-06-2023. (less further payments) , if any.

Property details: SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of property residentially converted land measuring 2 Acres 8 Guntas in Sy.No: 108/3 (previously portion of Sy.No; 108/2, Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), bearing RDPR No: 150200103200820885, property No:522/108/3, situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Hennagara Village Panchayath, Anekal Block, Bangalore District (land converted for non-agricultural residential purposes vide Official Memorandum dated 11-11-1992 vide No:B/DIS/ALN/SR(A)/ 103/1988-89, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) and bounded on the East By: Land in Sy.No:108/2; West By: Road carved out of kharab land; North By: Road, carved out of kharab land; South By: Tank Bed.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 400 Sq.Ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the "A" Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE "C"PROERTY (Apartment unit hereby agreed to be conveyed): All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. BE-107 totally measuring a super built-up area of 1089 Sq.ft in the Ground Floor in 'E' Tower B Block along with covered Car Parking space in the Basement/Surface/Stilt Floor numbered as BE-107 along with 400 Sq.ft of undivided interest in land comprising Schedule 'A' Property is one of such apartment units/flats in the said Apartment Building "GARDEN RESIDENCY", situated at Kachanayakanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru and bounded on the East By: Residential Apartment Privately numbered as BE-108 in the Ground Floor of "E" Tower "B" Block; West By: Area open to sky of the apartment Building; North By : Area open to sky of the apartment Building; South By : Common Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs.51,30,000/- **EMD: Rs.5,13,000/-**

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(27) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. T H Suresh & Mrs Sripriya K T K at Flat No 101, Sai Johith Homes, Sy No 46/57, Yamalur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560037.

Demand Notice: 08.07.2025 **Possession Notice: 10.09.2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.66,27,431/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One) due as on 09-08-2024 + Applicable interest and thereon w.e.f. 10-08-2024 plus Incidental Expenses, Charges and costs (less further Payments, if any).

Property details: SCHEDULE 'A'PROPERTY [Entire Property] : All that piece and parcel of the present BBMP Katha No.375/46/57, residential converted immovable property bearing Sy.No.46/57. Old No.46/50. converted for residential purpose vide Conversion Order No.ALN(EVH):SR 474A/2011-12. dated 4/02/2012, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist., Bangalore). situated at Yamlur Village, Varthur Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Now Bangalore East Gish Taluk, presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring about 104 Guntas, and bounded on the East : Land in Sy.No.46/58; West : Ramachandrappa property in sy.No.46/56; North : Road; South : Land in sy.No.52.

SCHEDULE 'B' : Flat bearing No.101, in the First Floor of the Apartment building known as "SAI JOHITH HOMES"having super built up area of 1455 Sq.ft. containing Three bed rooms, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc.,alongwith one car parking space, together with 357.366 Sq.ft undivided share of the land comprised in Schedule "A" Property.

Reserve Price: Rs.79,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.7,90,000/-**

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(28) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr Nagaraj S at Vacant property bearing Site No.73, SEETHAKEMPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.

Demand Notice: 21.03.2025 **Possession Notice: 21-08-2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.9,70,514 (Rupees Nine Lakh seventy thousand five hundred fourteen only), as on 09/01/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-01-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Residential Vacant property bearing Site No.73, in the layout formed in Survey No.5, converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose, vide conversion order No.ALN.(N.A.H)SR/07/2015-16, Dated: 23-11-2015, issued by the commissioner, Bangalore District,Khatha No.5/72, Situated at: SEETHAKEMPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West: 30-0 feet, North to South: 40-0 feet ,Total in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft, and bounded as follows: East by : Site No.72; West by : Road; North by: Road; South by Site No.74

Reserve Price: Rs.21,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.2,10,000/-**

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(29) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr Nagaraj S at Vacant property bearing Site No.72, SEETHAKEMPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.

Demand Notice: 21.03.2025 **Possession Notice: 21-08-2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs.9,28,996 (Rupees Nine lakh twenty eight thousand nine hundred ninety six only), as on 09/01/2025 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10-01-2025. (less further payments , if any).

Details of Property Mortgaged SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Residential Vacant property bearing Site No.72, in the layout formed in Survey No.5, converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose, vide conversion order No.ALN.(N.A.H)SR/07/2015-16, Dated: 23-11-2015, issued by the commissioner, Bangalore District,Khatha No.5/72, Situated at: SEETHAKEMPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West: 30-0 feet, North to South: 40-0 feet ,Total in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft, and bounded as follows: East by Site No.71, West by site no 73 North by 25-0 Feet wide Road, South by Site No.75

Reserve Price: Rs.21,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.2,10,000/-**

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(30) Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr.Jeevan Burri, S/o.Nageshwara Rao Flat No.S-1 ,T-4,Second Floor, "KVR Tower Apartment" Sy no 21/11,Present BBMP Katha No.254/255/296/108,109 at Byatarayanapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk 560092

Demand Notice: 16-09-2023 **Possession Notice: 17-02-2025**

Outstanding Amount: Rs. 49,30,617/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakhs Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Seventeen Only) as on 09.08.2023 together with further interest and charges thereon with effect from 10.08.2023. (less further payments , if any).

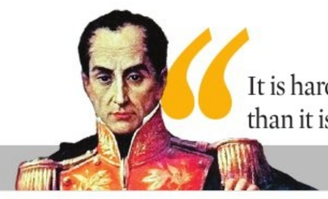
Description of Property (Composite Schedule) : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Present BBMP Katha No. 254/255/296/108,109 & 21/11, situated at Byatrayanapura village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Total measuring 8085.5 Sq.feet, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the East by : Munishamappa's Property, West by : Somanna and Parvathamma's Property; North by : Road: South by : Parvathamma's Property.

SCHEDULE "B" : 365.04 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

SCHEDULE "C" : Flat bearing No.S-1, in the Second Floor, measuring about 1080 Sq.ft of super built up area, containing Three bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building complex known as "KVR TOWERS", constructed over Schedule " COMPOSITE SCHEDULE " Property.

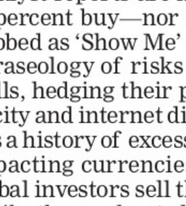
Reserve Price: Rs.72,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.7,20,000/-**

- Interested bidders shall submit proof of payment



"It is harder to maintain the balance of freedom than it is to endure the weight of tyranny" — Simón Bolivar

THE TOP GLOBAL TRENDS & THREATS IN THE NEW YEAR



THE THIRD EYE

SHANKKAR AIYAR

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IN 1898, Mark Twain wrote about the telectroscope in his short story '*From the London Times of 1904*'. The telectroscope was a limitless-distance telephone that would make the "daily doings of the globe" visible and audible to everyone. Essentially, Twain imagined the smart phone and social media a century before their arrival.

Not all predictions land well. In the past 100 years, trends have been spotted and missed. In 2000, writers at Popular Mechanics predicted man will holiday on the moon—a possibility per Elon Musk; Darryl Zanuck said folks would tire of watching TV; scientists predicted a new ice age in the 1970s and said pollution would obliterate the sun. Those in Delhi may testify it is happening and others may state it's only a matter of time.

So, what does 2026 hold for the world—and specifically for India? The primary facet of 2026 is not the sudden shock, but Milton Friedman's long and variable lag. Risk-benefit analysis calls for the usual caveats. In geopolitics, as in pathology, risks are present even if symptoms are yet to show up. In economics and technology, it is useful to remember the warning on the passenger-side mirror of cars—like objects, trends and threats are closer than they appear.

Here are a few trends and threats hovering at the gates of 2026—from geopolitics and economics to tech and markets.

The headlines are spelling it out—the spectre of war is darker in 2026. On Saturday, US forces carried out strikes and, in a Sicario kind of operation, took Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro out of the country. A day earlier, US President Donald J Trump told the world, "We are locked and loaded and ready to go" if Iran kills protestors. Is the Caracas playbook a template for Tehran? Is the lift-and-shift code on open source? Will it inform China on Taiwan and Russia on Ukraine? The Global Peace Index reveals 78 countries are waging wars beyond their borders. The expansion of war and modernisation will trigger an arms race and boost the military-industrial complex—revenues of arms makers have touched $679 billion and the value of the top 50 defence companies crossed $1.5 trillion.

Like the India-US trade deal is unlikely to materialise anytime soon—not until the Ukraine peace-for-materials deal. The tariff theatre will play through 2026—deals with China, Mexico, Canada and India are all up in the air. The affordability crisis has put the Trump administration in management mode, forcing suspension of some tariffs—this week they held back tariffs on furniture! The ubiquitous question of 2026 is whether Trump will be tariffed by the US Supreme Court; the answer is 'unlikely'. The cure cannot be worse than the disease. The remedies could range from other three-digit laws to a legislative detour via Congress.

Fear of the AI bubble is billowing as IMF and Bank of England join the choir. But there is no let-up in investor optimism. Analyst reports are not yet invidious on Nvidia—which has a 91 percent buy—nor its cousins like TSMC. That said, 2026 is dubbed as 'Show Me' revenue year. The air is popping with the phraseology of risks as hyper-scalers invest over $500 billion. Bulls, hedging their punts to include user-groups, argue "electricity and internet didn't boost productivity instantly". The US has a history of excess. The correction could morph into a crisis impacting currencies and indices—the Nifty50 will be hit as global investors sell the saleable to balance ledgers.

Like the accelerated adoption of agentic AI proves that the tech is not a bubble. Its disruptive power is palpable in entry level jobs. Studies warn of lower hiring as processes are upended across sectors deploying AI. The adoption of agentic AI will retrench human interface and jobs. Bajaj Finance aims to lend ₹5,300 crore via voice bots; agentic AI sits at the core of insurance providers. The impact is visible in slower hiring in IT services, the largest exporter, largest formal employer and consumption multiplier in India. The cascading impact of AI on jobs, income, growth and investment merits urgent attention.

The idea of global financial stability is largely scaffolded by optics. The cockroaches of risk, a term JPMorgan Chase's Jamie Dimon coined, are real in the sovereign bonds market and in private credit markets. Bailouts could make it worse. Large economies are in a spiral of deficit and debt. Unsurprisingly, a strange paradox is playing out. In the past year, the US Federal Reserve cut rates by 1.75 percentage points and India's RBI by 1.25 percentage points. Theory says that yields must drop; but instead, they are up in the US and hardly budging in India. This week, the RBI revealed that state governments' borrowing, at ₹12.13 lakh crore, is the highest ever. The rise in the prices of gold and silver by 64 percent and 150 percent represents angst about the future.

Like the reality of K-shaped economies is here to stay. This is best reflected in data. Governments are borrowing to keep alive the bottom leg of the K, while the top is thriving. The top 500 billionaires added $2.2 trillion to their wealth in 2025, more than any large economy in the world. Markets are about the survival of the fittest and democracies are obliged to revive the weakest. A confluence of disruptions informed and influenced by the Jevons Paradox's promise to upend business and economic models, worsening the affordability crisis.

Finally, when thinking about the future, it is useful to remember that the past is not necessarily the prologue and black swans are known to make an appearance.

CELEBRATING A SAGE FOR THE AGES

OPINION

SHASHI THAROOR

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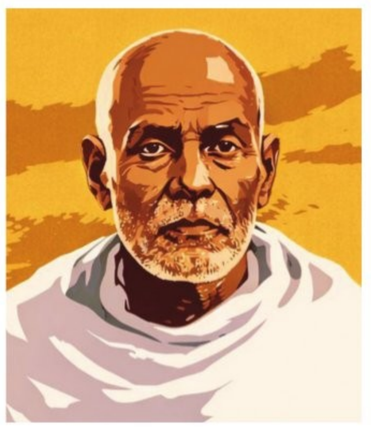
I write these words in the wake of the release of my newest book, *The Sage Who Reimagined Hinduism*, by the Vice-President of India at the Sivagiri Ashram established by the peerless Sree Narayana Guru more than a century ago. In the pantheon of India's spiritual and social reformers, few figures shine with the quiet brilliance of Sree Narayana Guru, whose life, lessons and legacy are the subject of my book.

A philosopher, poet, mystic and social revolutionary, Guru's life was a testament to the transformative power of wisdom rooted in compassion, and action grounded in moral clarity. Yet, despite the profundity of his teachings and the magnitude of his impact, his name remains unfamiliar to many outside his native Kerala—something that this book seeks, in part, to address.

At the turn of the millennium, a major public poll in Kerala conducted by the daily *Malayala Manorama* in 1999, invited readers to vote for the most influential Malayali of the previous thousand years, and Sree Narayana Guru emerged as the overwhelming choice. It was no mere gesture of regional pride. It was recognition of a man who reshaped the moral and social landscape of Kerala, challenging caste hierarchies, redefining spiritual practice and offering a vision of human dignity that transcended religion, ritual and race. His call—'One caste, one religion, one god for man'—was not a slogan, but a seismic reimagining of Indian society, delivered with the quiet authority of a sage and the fierce urgency of a reformer.

Guru's achievements were manifold. He consecrated temples open to all, wrote philosophical treatises in lucid verse in multiple languages and lived a life of austere integrity that inspired generations. He was not content with metaphysical speculation; he demanded ethical transformation. His teachings bridged Advaitic philosophy and social justice, offering a rare synthesis of spiritual depth and civic responsibility. His life made possible nothing less than an expansion of human freedom. In a Kerala fractured by caste and colonialism, he became a unifying force—respected by peasants and poets, revolutionaries and rulers. Today, there is a shrine to him in every neighbourhood in the erstwhile Travancore, where he is revered as a quasi-divinity. He was a sage for the ages.



EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

Kerala agrees that Sree Narayana Guru was one of the most consequential Malayalis of all time. But this extraordinary philosopher and social reformer is hardly known to the wider world. That should change

And yet, outside Kerala, his legacy remains largely unexplored and unsung. In the broader narrative of India's intellectual freedom struggle and spiritual renaissance, Sree Narayana Guru is too often a footnote when he ought to be a substantial chapter. My biography is a modest attempt to correct that imbalance. It offers an introduction to his life, his essential teachings, and the enduring relevance of his message in today's India—an India still wrestling with divisions of caste, creed and community.

In an age of noise and fragmentation, Sree Narayana Guru's voice offers clarity. In a time of exclusion, his vision offers inclusion. In a nation searching for unity, his legacy offers a path.

It was only fitting that he was chosen the 'Malayali of the millennium' among the panoply of giants who had bestridden the state since the tenth century. Indeed, the extraordinary sage, metaphysician and social reformer was a giant, and for all the considerable achievements of others, it is difficult to imagine any rival in the impact he had on the people of Kerala in the millennium—and beyond.

Like most Malayalis, I grew up hearing his name. But it was only in the early 1980s, when I was asked to address a birthday commemoration of his life in Singapore, that I seriously began reading about Sree Narayana Guru. For one thing, the Singapore event itself spoke to Guru's rare appeal, because it was to be addressed by Kidangoor Gopalakrishna Pillai—the Indian high commissioner, more famous as the general secretary of the Nair Service Society for many years—in Malayalam, and by myself in English. That a prominent Nair (and a then a much less prominent one, myself) would do the honours was ample confirmation of how Sree Narayana Guru had completely transcended caste.

And yet, when Sree Narayana Guru first pursued enlightenment and began to preach, many from the higher castes had sought to deny him the right to do so because of his Ezhava birth.

The more I read about Guru, the more impressed I became with his remarkable life. His immortal line—"*Mathamethayilum, manushyannannayaalmathi*" (whatever the religion, it is enough that a man be good)—is one I have never tired of quoting since that day in Singapore more than four decades ago. It is a principle I practice in my daily life. And as a new entrant into politics, I often find myself paraphrasing it to say, "*rashtriyamethayilum, rashtramnannayaalmathi*" (whatever the politics, it is enough that the nation does well). I believe it is a sentiment of which the great Sree Narayana Guru would have approved.

Yet, as Prof J Indira and Rajeev Srinivasan have written: "For unclear reasons, Guru's extraordinary achievements have not received their full due outside Kerala. One can only hope that over time, the life and times of this extraordinary humanist, reformer and saint becomes more accessible to the general public. For, he was one of the greatest sons of India, in the lineage of the Buddha and Adi Sankara."

It is to fulfil that hope that I set out to write this work. My book is not a comprehensive chronicle (many exist, particularly in Malayalam), nor a scholarly treatise. It is, instead, a tribute—a small offering at the feet of a towering figure whose light continues to guide us, if only we choose to see it. And it seeks to bring to non-Malayalis some awareness of a figure whose greatness of mind and heart continues to offer lessons to an increasingly divided nation, and a Hindu community at risk of being hijacked by forces of intolerance at another turbulent time. Lessons we would do well to heed again. *(Views are personal)*

TIME FOR A RESOLUTION ON REST

OPINION

ANURADHA GOYAL

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I returned from Uttarakhand when the Char Dham yatra season was coming to an end. The vibe there was of a home that has just bid farewell to its guests after a grand wedding and is now looking forward to some rest. Some people were going to lower altitudes for the winter, others were returning home—but everyone was ready for a much-needed rest.

Back home, newspapers were advertising the winter itineraries in Uttarakhand. This would mean more revenue and livelihood generation for the people and the state, but I wondered if those tired people really wanted this. Yes, many of them would readily take up the new opportunity. But what about their rest after long, back-breaking months of handling the peak tourist rush?

It made me think about the vanishing concept of rest from our thought process and, for that, my generation needs to take the blame. Decades ago, as young professionals, we spoiled both our bosses and our customers by working round the clock. Some of them continue to advocate long hours. For the corporate world, working long hours is something that families and societies have accepted as a way of life.

In our childhood, we all had a holiday on Sunday and when the five-days-a-week culture came in, it brought cheer to all those chafing at the weekly toil. But by the time I was in the workforce, the work hours started quietly creeping into personal time.

Television and radio stations, too, used to take a break at midnight and there was nothing like today's always-on content. This made all of us, those in front of screens and those behind, take rest by design. Our collective rest cycles followed our natural rhythm in sync with nature.

Think about it—rest is not something you can effectively have in isolation; it is better as a community activity. If barbers used to take an off on, say, Tuesday, it ensured that each of them rested that day and no business was lost on account of someone working an extra day. Customers adjust and probably subconsciously appreciate that there is one fixed day when you cannot go for a haircut and plan other things.

Resting as a community assured everyone associated with your trade can take rest that day. Even if a small percentage of people chose to stay open, a whole ecosystem feeding that trade would need to stay open.

The final attack on our rest time came from the 24x7 work-and-play culture. The nightlife that we have embraced disturbs so many natural rhythms. To understand this, we need to look beyond numbers like revenue generated and GDP. You need to choose a lens that looks at life as it should be lived and enjoyed.

Traditional wisdom always told us—now backed by modern research—rest is as important as action. Many diseases, especially lifestyle diseases, are taken care of if we allow the body to rest and heal itself. We need to rest every night, preferably at around the same time as most of those around us. But we also need to rest to relax and rejuvenate our minds. For all of us to be able to rest, we all need to agree on some time windows so that there are bare minimum requirements from others, bringing everyone and everything to rest.

Ancient wisdom and modern science tell us that rest is important for us to heal and rejuvenate. But as an always-on culture is taking hold, it's something increasingly missing in our lives. For it to be effective, we need to see rest as a community compact

As of now, there are only three national holidays on the calendar when everyone gets an off. On those days too, we hardly rest as we get busy organising and participating in celebrations. Every long weekend, we try to escape the city we live in, to crowd the place we are visiting, mostly stuck in traffic and spending a large chunk of our 'time off' in vehicles. Have we forgotten the art of taking rest? Can we bring it back in our *dinacharya*, the daily routine, and *ritucharya*, the seasonal routine?

Older Indian calendars had rest built in—seasonally, culturally and socially for all beings. Travel was restricted during the four monsoon months, when, metaphorically, the gods are supposed to sleep. Wandering sages and globetrotting businessmen stayed at one place and most others stayed home. This allowed not just humans to rest, but it allowed nature to rejuvenate without interruptions and influences. Rivers flow in their full might, allowing aquatic life to own its space and reproduce. People had time to think about the purpose of life and re-align their actions with their personal and social goals while spending time with families and neighbours. What made this possible was that everyone rested at the same time.

Is it time that we insert rest by design in our lives once again? Among the things we will need to let go is the culture of operating 24x7. Can we enforce rest days for all kinds of businesses and public services? Can devices be designed to go on a sleep more for a specified number of hours every day, like some gadgets and apps offer? Can late-night food deliveries be paused? While our parliamentarians debate the latest version of the Right to Disconnect Bill—which proposes to enshrine the right to ignore work-related communications outside of official working hours—we can proactively do it for our own lives and ecosystems.

Ashtanga Hridayam, the ancient book on Ayurveda, tells us that good sleep is one of the three pillars for ensuring good quality of life, along with good food and restrained behaviour. So, let rest be our collective new year's resolution.

(Views are personal)

QUOTE CORNER

International law prohibits the use of force as a means of national policy. Short of a UN Chapter VII mandate, force is only available in response to an armed attack or possibly to rescue a population under imminent threat of extermination. Clearly, none of these requirements are fulfilled by the armed operation against Venezuela.

Marc Weller, professor of international law, University of Cambridge

An armed intervention in Venezuela would be a humanitarian catastrophe for the hemisphere and a dangerous precedent for the world.

Lula da Silva, Brazilian president, at a summit of the 5-nation Mercosur bloc

Frontier AI models already show signs of self-preservation in experimental settings; giving them rights would be a huge mistake.

Yoshua Bengio, chair of the first International AI Safety report

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Continuing legacy

Ref: *Fearless journalism and literature vital for democracy, says V-P* (Dec 3). This newspaper has consistently embodied a remarkable synthesis of courageous journalism and rich literary traditions. During the Emergency and the Bofors controversy, the paper played a pivotal role and that legacy continues to this day. It was a privilege to witness the book awards on YouTube as it truly reflected the confluence of journalism and literature.

S Sundareswara Pandiyan, Kovur

Cleaning books

Ref: *Higher loan recoveries* (Jan 3). Effectively, it's window dressing that enables banks to report unprecedentedly low non-performing assets. The trend of cleaning up books started with the massive exercise called Asset Quality Review under former RBI governor Raghuram Rajan, with liberal write-offs. But neither has the repaying culture improved in the country, nor has the pro-borrower bankruptcy code been tightened.

P Mangalachandran, Kannur

Water purity

Ref: *Indore tragedy should trigger action nationwide* (Jan 3). Complaints about the purity of drinking water are constantly surfacing across the country. There is a need for state governments across the country to review their water networks. In particular, the drainage systems of buildings constructed recently should be mandatorily inspected. Strict action should be taken against anyone who fails the standards. Otherwise, just as deaths from adulterated liquor occur periodically, deaths from contaminated drinking water will also become common, which would be a disgrace for any civilised society.

Arvind Rawal, Jhabua

Myanmar's stability

Ref: *China counts its chickens* (Jan 3). The clearly-written article by Pradip Phanjoubam helped me understand China's stance in Myanmar's politics right from 2008. The cartoon by Sourav Roy was self explanatory, with the elections dangled as a carrot. I do hope the remaining phases of the elections will be peaceful. Whatever the problem, the military's stranglehold in a country's politics is worrisome and cannot give the people a really peaceful life.

Indra Getzy David, Tirunelveli

New beginning

Ref: *The many new years of India* (Jan 3). Thanks for the interesting article that was outstanding on the readability scale. The many new years only reflect the true Indian character—unity in diversity. Some overzealous people discard New Year celebrations, stamping them as videshi, forgetting that the first of January is celebrated all over the world. Let us wish each other a happy new year.

J Bhagyalakshmi, email

Organ trade

Ref: *TN officials inspect Trichy hospital* (Jan 3). While the Maharashtra police traced the illegal kidney trade network to Trichy, our local 'Scotland Yard' remained shockingly oblivious of the racket operating under its nose. This callous inaction allowed the culprits to cheat the poor with false promises and extract substantial sums from desperate recipients. The health department's 'field-level verifications' have proven hollow, suggesting either gross incompetence or a refusal to confront the truth. All right-thinking citizens should demand immediate, decisive action to dismantle this illegal organ trade and bring every culprit to justice.

A Thirugnanasambantham, Coimbatore

Keeping promises

Ref: *In election battle, UDF benefited most from human-wildlife strife* (Jan 3). The situation strikingly reveals how the LDF failed to implement its poll promises. It's a warning to parties that come with manifestos on the eve of an election and then disappear without any aspiration of fulfilling the promises. Apart from celebrating an electoral victory, the UDF must focus on fulfilling its promises, or its fate will be the same as the LDF's.

Muhammed Ajmal, Kozhikode

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Sanjay Jha @JhaSanjay
This Modi government is a joke. They banned Tik Tok. Very macho, went Modi Toadies. India's trade deficit with China is over USD 100 billion

Raghav Chadha @raghav_chadha
The workers who built these platforms order by order, kilometre by kilometre, deserve better than to be called "miscreants" for asking to be treated as human

Amit Malviya @amitmalviya
The situation for the Trinamool Congress is truly dire when its Rajya Sabha members are giving up their terms and rushing to join the Congress

Slavery destroys heritage too: Modi

At opening of Piprahwa Buddhist relics display, PM calls it 'inseparable part of our civilisation '

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets monks during the inauguration of the grand international exposition of the sacred Piprahwa relics | PTI

HIGHLIGHTING the repatriation of sacred Piprahwa remains of Lord Buddha, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday noted that slavery goes beyond political and economic control to the erosion of cultural heritage. The departure of relics from India and their eventual return are both significant lessons, he added.

"The lesson is that slavery is not only political and economic, but it also destroys our heritage. The same happened with the sacred relics of Lord Buddha. During the period of slavery, they were taken away and remained outside the country for nearly 125 years. For those who took them away, and for their descendants, these relics were merely lifeless antique pieces and attempted to auction them. But for India, these relics are a part of our revered deity, an inseparable part of our civilization. Therefore, India decided to prevent their auction," the PM said.

He was speaking at the inauguration of the international exposition of the Piprahwa Relics, which were discovered in 1898, at the 11th century fort complex; Qila Rai Pithora, constructed in the reign of Rajput Tomar ruler Anangpal Tomar in Mehrauli, Delhi.

The exposition, titled 'The Light and the Lotus: Relics of the Awakened One', brings together, for the first time, the Piprahwa relics repatriated recently with authentic relics and archaeological materials from Piprahwa preserved in the collections of the National Museum (New Delhi) and the Indian Museum in Kolkata.

Present on the occasion were Buddhist scholars, diplomats, ministers and senior government functionaries. Modi also thanked the Godrej Group for ensuring that the relics of Buddha return to the country.

The Piprahwa relics hold a central place in the archaeological study of early Buddhism and are among the earliest and most historically significant relic deposits directly connected to Bhagwan Buddha.

Modi said that the shared heritage of Lord Buddha is proof that India is not connected merely through politics, diplomacy, and economy, but through deeper bonds.

"We are connected through mind and emotions, through faith and spirituality. India is not only the custodian of Lord Buddha's sacred relics but also the living carrier of his tradition. Relics of Lord Buddha found in Piprahwa, Vaishali, Devni Mori, and Nagarjunakonda are living presences of Buddha's message," he said.

The PM further cited instances where India had helped other countries in restoration and conservation of Buddha sites of historical importance.

Andaman drone show proposed for Bose jubilee

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

TO commemorate 'Prakram Diwas', marking the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, the Union Culture Ministry has proposed a series of cultural activities, including a mega exhibition and a drone show, to narrate the life and legacy of the legendary freedom fighter on two islets of the Andaman and Nicobar islands. The multi-zone exhibition will chronicle Bose's life journey, tracing his path from Cuttack and Cambridge to his leadership of the Indian National Army (INA), and his association with Japan and the Andaman Islands.

A wide range of archival material will be on display, including historical documents, rare photographs of the INA, and other significant records related to Bose. The exhibition will also feature books on Bose. The three-day commemorative event will begin on January 23 on two islands — Sri Vijaya Puram and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Dweep.

In 2021 on the occasion of the 125th birth anniversary, the Government decided to commemorate his birthday every year as 'Parakram Diwas'.

TARIQUE RAHMAN

THE HEIR RETURNS TO AN ANGRY VACUUM

JAYANTH JACOB

WHEN Tarique Rahman removed his shoes and placed his feet on the ground beside a Dhaka car park on December 25, the gesture carried the weight of unfinished history. After 17 years in exile, it was a homecoming expressed less through slogans than restraint, a politician reconnecting with a country that had moved on in his absence. Five days later, the death of his mother, former Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, gave the moment institutional finality. It sealed the transfer of political inheritance and opened a new chapter in the intricate terrain of Bangladesh's politics.

Born on 20 November 1965, Tarique Rahman is the son of two of the most consequential figures in Bangladesh's history—the late President Ziaur Rahman, a decorated freedom fighter and military ruler-turned-politician and former Prime Minister, the late Khaleda Zia, the enduring matriarch of the BNP.

Politics was never distant for him. Yet Rahman's trajectory has been shaped as much by rupture as by inheritance— by exile, repression, and the long shadow of unfinished transitions in Bangladeshi democracy.

Educated at Dhaka's BAF Shaheen College and later at the University of Dhaka, where he studied International Relations, Rahman came of age intellectually amid the collapse of General Ershad's autocratic regime. He immersed himself in political philosophy, from Aristotle to Rousseau, Marx to Locke, and graduated during a period of mass mobilisation led by his mother. Those years might have helped him forged a worldview attentive to the mechanics of power and the fragility of institutions.

Before fully entering party politics, Rahman established himself as an entrepreneur, building businesses in textiles and agro-based industries.

That experience would later inform his emphasis on economic liberalisation and private-sector growth. He formally joined the party in 1988, working at the grassroots during the anti-Ershad movement and campaigning nationwide ahead of the landmark 1991 election that returned Bangladesh to parliamentary democracy and made Khaleda Zia the country's first female Prime Minister.

Rahman's early political reputation rested less on office-holding than on organisation. In Bogura, he pioneered internal party elections by secret ballot, pushing democratic practices downward into local structures. After the BNP's landslide victory in

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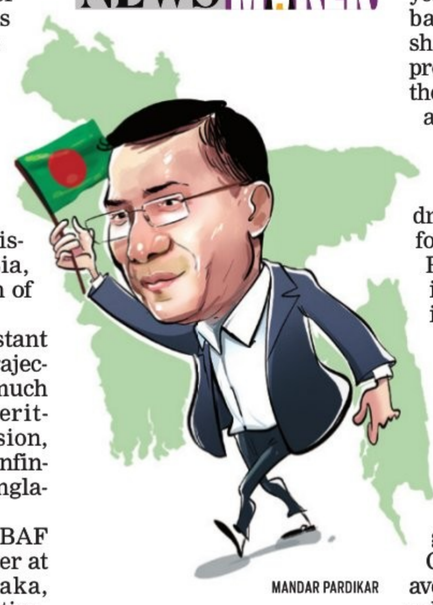

MANDAR PARDIKAR

2001, he resisted pressure to assume government office, instead focusing on policy research, civil society engagement, and party-building. Appointed Senior Joint Secretary in 2002 and later Senior Vice-Chairman, he became central to the BNP's nationwide mobilization. That ascent was abruptly halted in 2007, when an army-backed caretaker regime launched a sweeping crackdown. Rahman was arrested, subjected to severe mistreatment in detention, and ultimately forced into exile in London for medical treatment. From there, he watched as Bangladeshi politics hardened into an increasingly authoritarian order under Sheikh Hasina, with the BNP marginalised, its leaders jailed, and its legitimacy relentlessly questioned.

Yet exile did not mean withdrawal. Elected Senior Vice-Chairman in 2009 and appointed Acting Chairman in 2018 after Khaleda Zia's imprisonment, Rahman became the party's strategic fulcrum from abroad. He articulated a narrative that challenged accusations of extremism and disloyalty, reasserting the BNP's historical links to the 1971 Liberation War and its foundational commitment to parliamentary democracy. Like Sheikh Hasina's invocation of her father's legacy, Rahman has drawn on his own.

Rahman's return to Bangladesh comes at a moment of profound uncertainty. After 17 years in exile, he has stepped back into a landscape reshaped by the collapse of the previous government in 2024, the installation of an interim administration under Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus, and the death of his mother, Khaleda Zia. Addressing a vast Dhaka crowd for the first time since 2008, Rahman struck a measured, inclusive tone, calling for inter-communal harmony, a "safe Bangladesh" for all citizens, and the repayment of the "blood debt" of martyrs from both 1971 and the recent uprising. "I have a plan for Bangladesh," he declared-framing ambition through governance, not grievance. On foreign policy, he has avoided performative hostility, echoing his father's guarded cooperation and regional multilateralism. At home, he seeks to institutionalise the BNP, transforming it from a personality-driven movement into a policy-oriented party ready to govern a diverse, youthful, and aspirational nation.

Whether that ambition can be realised remains the central question. As the frontrunner in an impending general election, Tarique Rahman faces the dual challenge of honouring a formidable legacy while redefining it. If he succeeds, his barefoot step onto Bangladeshi soil may be remembered not merely as a symbolic return, but as the opening move in a broader effort to stabilise and reimagine his country's democratic future.

TMC MP joins Congress ahead of Bengal polls

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AHEAD of West Bengal assembly polls, Trinamool Congress Rajya Sabha MP Mausam Noor returned to the Congress on Saturday, saying she wants to carry forward the legacy of her uncle and former party stalwart Ghani Khan Chaudhary. Noor, whose tenure as Rajya Sabha MP ends in April, is likely to contest the upcoming assembly polls in West Bengal from Maldah.

She was a two-time Congress MP representing Maldah Dakshin in the Lok Sabha from 2009 to 2019. She has also been a Youth Congress president.

Noor was inducted by AICC General Secretary in charge of Communications Jairam Ramesh, in the presence of Congress General Secretary in charge of West Bengal Ghulam Ahmed Mir, State Congress President Subhankar Sarkar, and MP Isha Khan Chowdhury.

Cong multi-phase counter to G-RAM-G to begin on Jan 10

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Saturday announced the first phase of nationwide 'MGNREGA Bachao Sangram' (Save MGNREGA campaign) from January 10 to demand the withdrawal of the VB G-RAM-G Act, and restoration of MGNREGA as a rights-based law, the right to work, and the authority of panchayats.

Addressing a joint press conference, Congress general secretaries K C Venugopal and Jairam Ramesh said through the new VBG RAM G Act, the Centre has ensured complete centralisation as 'employment will no longer be a right under the new Act', which will be challenged in court.

Venugopal said the Congress will explore all options including legal routes to stop the implementation of the new law. On whether the states ruled by the INDIA bloc constituents would not implement the new Act or oppose it, Venugopal said the Congress would hold consultations with all the alliance partners on the way forward.

BJP prepares political response in Punjab

Anticipating Congress protests against VB–G RAM G, BJP is preparing a political response in Punjab. It is set to launch an awareness campaign from January 7 to inform the public on the vision of the scheme, formulated in the interest of the poor, said Sunil Jakhar, Punjab president of BJP.

A consensus will be reached within the opposition-ruled chief ministers, and 'we will explore possibilities of how to move forward on this', Venugopal said. Sharing details, he said the MGNREGA Bachao Sangram will commence on January 10 and continue till February 25.

Ramesh claimed that no BJP-ruled state is in a position to implement the G-RAM-G law, which, he said, is against the federal structure of the country. Venugopal also termed the Act an attack against the federal structure itself, as 'no discussion was held with the states to implement it, even as their finances will be disturbed'.

He said through the 'MGNREGA Bachao Sangram', the Congress aims to defend the right to work, protect the Panchayati Raj institutions, and stand with the women workers, Dalits, Adivasis, and the rural poor by taking the issue to every village of the country.

'Our clear demand is to withdraw the VB-GRAM-G Act and restore MGNREGA in its original, rights-based form, restoring people's right to work and the authority of the panchayats,' Venugopal said.

EXPRESS READ

Shah chairs House panel meeting

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday chaired a Parliamentary Consultative Committee meeting of the Ministry of Home Affairs in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands on Saturday. The meeting focused on issues regarding national security, disaster management, cyber security and regional infrastructure, sources said. A separate session on strategic importance of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands was also held.

Siddha relevant in modern world: VP

India's traditional systems of medicine, including Siddha and Ayurveda, are not relics of the past but living traditions that continue to contribute significantly to the health and well-being of millions, Vice President C P Radhakrishnan said on Saturday. He inaugurated the 9th Siddha Day celebrations at Kalaivanar Arangam, Chennai, underscoring its relevance as a comprehensive, preventive and sustainable healthcare system.

India needs political will to handle its many health crises

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

AS 2026 begins, India's health sector faces formidable challenges. The main priorities include improving health infrastructure, addressing shortages of medical staff in rural and remote areas, and tackling the rising disease burden that strains the public health system.

Although some progress was made in 2025, India now requires new technologies, evidence-based treatment guidelines, affordable healthcare, and sustained efforts to promote prevention and healthy living. The country continues to fight infectious diseases such as TB, dengue, and malaria, while also seeing a fast rise in non-communicable diseases (NCDs) like heart disease, diabetes, and cancer.

Air pollution continues to pose a serious health threat. Delhi and many other Indian cities often rank among the world's most polluted, particularly for PM2.5, a fine-particle pollutant. The 2025 Lancet Countdown on Health and Climate Change report said PM2.5 pollution caused over 17 lakh deaths in India in 2022, with petrol use for road transport linked to 2.69 lakh of these deaths.

Dr Rajeev Jayadevan, former president of the Indian Medical Association (IMA), Cochin, says that fine particles and chemicals in polluted air can harm many organs. This can lead to high blood pressure, strokes, heart attacks, COPD, asthma in adults, preterm births, and stunted lung growth in children.

While COVID-19 may feel like a thing of the past, India is slowly crumbling under the disease burdens, which are now affecting even adolescents. Statistics paint a grim picture.

Cancer cases are galloping. India has the second-highest number of cancer cases in Asia and the third-highest in the world. The chance of developing cancer in a lifetime is about 11%. As per the National Cancer Registry Programme (NCRP), 15.6 lakh cancer cases and 8.74 lakh cancer deaths were reported in 2024.

With cancer cases expected to reach two million by 2040, the government's focus will not only be on rolling out the HPV vaccine to prevent cervical cancer but also to provide affordable treatment at the 200-day care cancer centres promised in the 2025 Union Budget.

India accounts for approximately a quarter of the world's TB cases. Some steps were taken towards TB eradication, but we failed to meet the 2025 deadline.

There is some good news to look forward to in 2026. India is making progress toward eliminating malaria, aiming for zero local cases by 2027, and also plans to eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis in two years.

Obesity has reached epidemic proportions. It is estimated that by 2050, India will have 450 million overweight or obese adults. A direct link to obesity is diabetes. India is the 'diabetes capital of the world.' The ICMR-INDIAB study has said that India has 101 million people with diabetes, 136 million with prediabetes, and 315 million diagnosed with high blood pressure.

According to Dr V. Mohan, Chairman of the Madras Diabetes Research Foundation, which was involved in the ICMR study, India needs to conduct regular screening for diabetes. Everything hinges on diet. More and more Indians are hogging on unhealthy junk food, which is high in sugar, salt, and unhealthy fats. This dramatically raises the risk of chronic diseases like heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and some cancers.

2026 will be a crucial year, as warning labels on packaged food may finally be announced after a four-year delay. According to Dr Arun Gupta, the co-author of The Lancet Series on Ultra-Processed Foods (UPFs) and Human Health, "I hope policymakers and judiciary use the evidence from the Lancet Series to frame regulations such as Front-of-Pack Nutrition Labelling (FOPNL), advertisement bans, taxation, and the policy development process is kept free from the food industry."

While much of the government's attention will be on expanding health infrastructure, what is also important is the health of the healthcare workers. 2025 saw several doctors and medical students dying by suicide, highlighting the need for safer, healthier workplaces for healthcare workers.

A Federation of All India Medical Associations (FAIMA) study found that doctors face a toxic work culture, often working under poor conditions, with weak infrastructure and insufficient staff. Dr K V Raju, an ophthalmologist and health activist, hopes that 2026 will bring safer workplaces where healthcare workers can work without fear. Hope 2026 will bring a healthier, fitter India.

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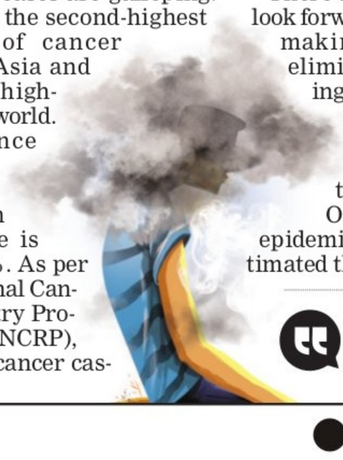

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Trump's Venezuela action sets dangerous precedent, says Takshashila chair

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

IN a blatant expression of unbridled power, US President Donald Trump struck Venezuela and abducted sitting President Nicolas Maduro and his wife from their heavily guarded location in Caracas Calling the US action extraordinary and setting a "dangerous precedent," Chairperson, Indo-Pacific Studies Programme, Takshashila Institution, Bengaluru, Manoj Kewalramani said that "legally speaking, this operation stands on a weak footing. Clearly, there was no immediate threat or basis in international law that permitted the attack and rendition of a sitting president.

And evidently, there was no Congressional authorisation that the Trump administration sought," said Kewalramani. There are several questions that remain unanswered, he told this newspaper. "First, what will be the fate of Maduro? Will he be tried in the US or will he be exiled to another country? Second, what's the future of Venezuela? There will be a power transition. Any new leader will require the establishment's backing.

Essentially, the system sustains despite the president falling. This leads to the third set of questions: does this operation address any of the structural challenges that the Trump administration had been highlighting, that is, the flow of migrants and drugs, the presence of criminal gangs and cartels, and of course Venezuela's ties with non-hemispheric competitors like China, Russia and Iran," added Kewalramani. He added that, finally within the United States, the Trump administration will surely project the operation as a "political success."

A DAILY FIX

The Rajasthan government has made daily newspaper reading compulsory in all government schools to promote reading, improve vocabulary and enhance general awareness among students.

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Chennai	28	24	Port Blair	29	26
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14 Maoists, including six women, killed in C'garh

First major encounter of 2026 takes place in Sukma, Bijapur districts

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AT least 14 armed CPI (Maoist) cadres, including six women, were killed in two separate encounters with security forces in Sukma and adjoining Bijapur districts of Chhattisgarh on Saturday, marking the first major anti-Naxalite operations of 2026, officials said.

The encounters took place around 450 km south of Raipur following specific intelligence inputs about the movement of Maoist cadres in the Basaguda-Tarrem forest area of Bijapur and Konta–Kistaram jungles of Sukma. Separate teams of District Reserve Guard (DRG) launched search operation, leading to intermittent exchanges of fire between the forces and the Maoists from Saturday morning.

"So far, 12 bodies of Maoists have been recovered during the search operation at the encounter scene of Sukma and two others in Bijapur," Bastar IGP Sundarraj Pattilingam said, calling upon the remaining cadres to shun the path of armed movement and join the social mainstream to live a dignified life. Sukma SP Kiran Chavan said, "Konta Area Committee in-charge Vetti Manglu, who is stated to be responsible for the killing of ASP Akash Girpunje in an IED blast in June last year, and secretary Madvi Hitesh are among the 12 killed in Sukma."

IGP (Bastar Range) Sundarraj Pattilingam, front left, addresses a press conference, after the encounters. He called upon the remaining Maoists to surrender | PTI

No security forces injured in Bastar gun battle

There has been no report of any security personnel sustaining injuries in the gun battle. The forces seized a large cache of arms, including an AK-47 rifle, INSAS assault rifle and two self-loading rifles, from the encounter sites. Search operations continued at different locations in both the districts following which DRG forces returned to their bases.

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"The year 2025 has been a historic and decisive year marked by significant achievements on the fronts of security, peace and development. Last year, in Bastar division alone, 256 Maoists were neutralised and 1650 cadres gave up the violent path and surrendered," the Bastar IG said. Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai said that due to the precise strategy and strong ground presence of security forces, the Maoist network has been rapidly weakening. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has set March 31 deadline to make the country Maoist-free.

Mob attack on police during raid on TMC leader

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

SIX policemen were injured after a mob attacked them during a raid at the residence of a local Trinamool Congress leader Musa Mollah on Friday night. They had asked the leader to go to a nearby police outpost at Rajbari under Nazat police station in the Sandeshkhali area in North 24 Parganas, West Bengal. The mob also vandalised several police vehicles.

While nine persons have been arrested in connection with the incident, two others, including a panchayat Pradhan and his deputy of the local Trinamool Congress-ruled Boyermari rural body, were detained by police for interrogations. The incident was a rerun of another incident that took place at Sandeshkhali close to the Indo-Bangladesh border two years ago.

Sandeshkhali in the Bashirhat Lok Sabha area in North 24 Parganas had become a hotbed of violence allegedly unleashed by the Trinamool Congress last January when an Enforcement Directorate (ED) team, probing the public distribution system (PDS) scam of thousands of rupees along with central security personnel, went to the residence of the ruling party strongman Shahjahan Sheikh and raided the spot because of his alleged link in the PDS irregularities. Shahjahan's supporters had attacked the ED team members of the central investigating agency and injured three officials.

'CEC removing names illegally from voter lists': Abhishek repeats charge

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

CONTINUING his attack on the Election Commission (EC), Trinamool Congress national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee alleged on Saturday that the names of eligible voters were being arbitrarily deleted from the electoral rolls during the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) in West Bengal.

Addressing a rally in Alipurduar in north Bengal, a BJP stronghold, Abhishek called Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar "Vanish Kumar" over alleged voter deletions. "Do you know Gyanesh Kumar? He is a magician. He can make living beings disappear from voter lists and make the dead walk. He is now 'Vanish Kumar'."

Launching his 19-day statewide campaign, 'Abar Jitbe Bangla' (Bengal will win again), in South 24 Parganas on Friday, Abhishek had paraded two men and a woman, marked as dead voters in the draft rolls. He will address 26 public meetings during the campaign ahead of the Assembly elections to be held early this year.

At Alipurduar, the TMC leader was offensive against both the EC and the BJP. He said TMC leaders had approached the EC's office in Delhi seeking clarity on the SIR. "We asked them to provide information, to make everything public. But now magic is happening. Living citizens are vanishing," he alleged. Abhishek likened the SIR to demonetisation, accusing the Narendra Modi government of misleading people. "Ten years ago, people were made to stand in queues after being shown dreams. The amount of black money has increased since then. Ten years later, people are again being made to stand in lines. Earlier, people chose the government. Now the government wants to decide who will be a voter," the TMC MP alleged.

He urged voters to use electronic voting machines to "teach a lesson" to the BJP. "Those who want to change the Constitution will eventually be removed from power," he said. "If you do not strike back now, they will try to take away your voting rights," he claimed, describing the 2026 elections as decisive.

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No respite from wild terror in Bahraich

A year after it grappled with terror unleashed by wild animals -- wolves, leopards, tigers -- Bahraich, the border district, 130 km from Lucknow, is again struggling with the same menace. During the past three months, 12 kids have been killed and as many of them injured, and nine wolves neutralised. The human-wild conflict has also taken a toll on a divisional forest officer (DFO) who was shifted for slackness. The newly-appointed DFO Sundaresha says his priority is not only to identify wolves targeting human habitations but also to scientifically examine the sudden spurt in wolf attacks in the district. "We are trying to rope in NGOs," he said.

Budget utilisation slow in few departments

With three months remaining in the financial year, at least 20 departments of UP government have shown slow spending, hovering around just 50% utilisation. To address the issue, CM Yogi called a meeting of all these departments. The CM noted that budget utilisation was slow in a few departments and that ministers and officers concerned should hold monthly meetings to ensure that maximum fund utilisation takes place before the year-end. He also directed the finance department to release any pending allocations to these 20 departments and asked the officials to pursue any pending budget release from the Centre.

Annual Magh Mela off to a rocky start

Even before the annual Magh Mela could start on the Paush Purnima on Saturday, it was caught in a little controversy, when the Mela Administration denied permission to the Mulayam Singh Yadav Smriti Sewa Sansthan (MSYSSS) to install the statue of the SP founder at its camp as it did during the Maha Kumbh last year. The Prayagraj Police also slapped police case against the camp organiser former SP candidate from Prayagraj city (West), Sandeep Yadav. After the denial of permission, the MSYSSS members installed idols of Radha and Lord Krishna with full rituals in the presence of LoP Mata Prasad Pandey on January 1.

Tripura imposes curbs at border with B'desh

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

A Tripura district has issued prohibitory orders under section 163 of the BNSS along a stretch of the Bangladesh border following the apprehension about possible militant movement and infiltration.

In an order, Gomati district magistrate Rinku Lather said reports had been received from the Commandant of 169th Battalion of Border Security Force that there were apprehensions of the movement of the members of Bangladeshi militant groups—PCJSS and UPDF—and infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals as well as Rohingya people from Labokant Para border outpost to Chaplin Chera border outpost in the Karbook sub-division with the intent to engage in criminal activities, smuggling and disturb public order.

"There are sufficient grounds to impose restrictions under section 163 BNSS for ensuring peace, tranquility by preventing designs of anti-national elements and activities of associations inimical to safety and security of general public," the order read. The curbs within 300 meters of the border from Labokant Para border outpost to Chaplin Chera outpost would remain in force till February.

Pune civic polls put state allies BJP, Pawar in war of words over graft charges

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

'Sharing power with me'

Pawar is putting all his might to ensure that NCP resumes power in civic bodies. Attacking the BJP over irrigation charges against him, Pawar had said, "Those who made irrigation scam allegations against me are today sharing power with me in the state."

WITH NCP leader and Maharashtra DCM Ajit Pawar accusing the BJP of corruption during its tenure in Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC) through inflated work orders, the war of words between the two parties has intensified.

While BJP is leaving no stone unturned to retain power, Pawar is putting all his might to ensure that NCP resumes power in both the civic bodies. Attacking the BJP over earlier irrigation charges against him, Pawar had said, "Those who made irrigation scam allegations against me are today sharing power with me in the state."

Countering the charges, state BJP president Ravindra Chavan said that Pawar should refrain from making them open their mouths as it might reveal numerous skeletons in the closet. NCP state spokesperson Suraj Chavan retaliated urging BJP leaders to check the election affidavit of their candidates, highlighting that several BJP candidates have serious criminal backgrounds, yet were nominated.

Senior BJP minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule expressed surprise at Pawar's aggressive stand against the BJP, as both are allies in the state as well as the Centre. "We will once again convene a meeting of Mahayuti leaders where this Ajit Pawar issue will be discussed," Bawankule he added. A political observer said that the rift between the allies is set to widen as both parties are fiercely competing control Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad's civic bodies.

"Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad were bastions of the NCP, but in last few years, BJP wrested control from the NCP. Now, NCP sees the opportunity to recover their lost bastion," he said.

Cong probe team for Indore deaths, BJP 'mob' battle it out

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

Policemen control the crowd after a clash between Congress and BJP workers in Bhagirathpura area, where water contamination claimed at least 10 lives | PTI

STRUCK by the killer diarrhoeal outbreak, the Bhagirathpura locality of Indore, India's cleanest city, turned on Saturday into a battleground between the ruling BJP and opposition Congress. When a fact-finding team of the opposition party went to the affected locality, their passage was blocked by BJP workers, triggering slogan shouting by both sides.

Back in Bhopal, Congress workers protested outside the residence of Indore-1 MLA and state cabinet minister Kailash Vijayvargiya over his alleged misbehaviour with a journalist. State Congress president Jitu Patwari, who hails from Indore, demanded resignation of Vijayvargiya and lodging of an FIR against the Indore mayor Pushyamitra Bhargava over diarrhoeal deaths, ranging from 10 to 16.

"The loss of innocent lives in Indore due to contaminated water supply has happened due to a systemic failure. Mere removal of the Indore municipal commissioner Dilip Yadav and suspension of additional commissioner Rohit Sisonia and Indore Municipal Corporation (IMC) superintending engineer Sanjeev Shrivastava isn't enough. The onus of the systemic failure also lies on local MLA and urban administration and housing minister Kailash Vijayvargiya as well as mayor Pushyamitra Bhargava," Patwari said.

Leader of opposition Umang Singhar, meanwhile, quoted the contents of a 2019 CAG Report, which had raised concerns about contaminated water being supplied in Indore between 2013 and 2018.

"The report highlighted serious deficiencies and exposed corruption in both cities. The project work was found to be inadequate. No action was taken even after the report was released in 2019. The CAG report raised questions about water management in Bhopal and Indore," Singhar said.

"Out of 9.41 lakh households in Indore and Bhopal, only 5.30 lakh had then received tap connections. Also, the CAG report highlighted that the municipal corporation took 22 to 182 days to address complaints about leaks. Between 2013 and 2018, 4,481 water samples (physical, chemical, and bacteriological tests) were found to be unfit for drinking. The records did not show what action the municipal corporation took," he said.

Snake bite claims 13 lives in 50 days in U'khand amid climate-change scare

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

Anti-venom supplies being maintained

Since 2013, snakebites have resulted in 274 deaths across the state, with 1,073 people being poisoned. Divisional Forest Officer Dehradun, Neeraj Sharma, confirmed operational readiness: "We continuously receive reports of snakes and other wildlife sightings in Dehradun. Crucially, anti-venom supplies are maintained to handle any emergency."

CLIMATE change is increasingly being cited as the primary driver behind the alarming surge in wildlife attacks across Uttarakhand, with recent data suggesting the impact extends beyond bears and leopards to include venomous snakes becoming unusually active during winter months.

While the focus has traditionally been on dangerous encounters with bears, which are reportedly foregoing hibernation due to warmer temperatures, forest department sources indicate that snakes are exhibiting similar behavioral shifts, leading to a frightening increase in fatalities. "For many wildlife species, including bears and snakes, winter was traditionally a period of hibernation," stated Uttarakhand Forest Minister Subodh Uniyal while speaking to this newspaper. "Normally, these animals remain dormant for about three months, resulting in fewer attack incidents. This year, the situation is different. Their failure to hibernate has increased their activity, which is why we are registering more cases."

The statistics paint a grim picture. While bears and leopards dominate headlines, the threat posed by venomous snakes appears statistically deadlier.

According to recent forest department figures, in the last month and a half, snakebites claimed 13 lives, with another 23 requiring hospitalisation for serious injuries. Long-term data highlights the severity of the issue: since 2013, snakebites have resulted in 274 deaths across the state.

Raj conducts raids in Aravalli areas, 7 FIRs filed

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE Rajasthan government has stepped up enforcement across the state to curb illegal mining and protect the fragile ecology of the Aravalli mountain range. This follows the Centre's recommendation to define the Aravalli range as areas above 100 metres in height and the subsequent withdrawal of that directive by the Supreme Court after widespread protests in Rajasthan.

Since then, the state's mining department, district administrations and police have been carrying out coordinated joint operations. Over the past two days, dozens of vehicles allegedly involved in illegal mining have been seized in Jaipur and Alwar districts, and several cases have been registered against the offenders, officials said.

In Jaipur, a joint operation was conducted over the past five days under the direction of District Collector Jitendra Kumar Soni. Teams from the mining department, district administration and the police carried out simultaneous raids across several police station areas of the district. Mining Engineer Shyam Chaudhary said the drive in Jaipur resulted in major action against illegal mining and the unauthorised transportation of minerals. During the operation, 50 vehicles were seized, including two excavator machines, 14 dumpers and 34 tractor-trolleys.

A total of 46 cases were registered, and penalties amounting to ₹50.36 lakh were recovered and deposited in the state treasury. In addition, seven FIRs were lodged against individuals involved in illegal mining and transportation.

In Alwar district, the administration has dug up and blocked roads leading to hill areas using JCB machines to prevent illegal mining. Under the state government's ongoing campaign, 21 cases of illegal mining have been reported so far in the district. According to officials, nine FIRs have been registered, more than 15 tractors seized and several people arrested.

A statewide joint operation to curb illegal mining in the Aravalli mountain range was launched on Monday and will continue till January 15. The drive is being implemented across 20 districts of Rajasthan. Guidelines have been issued to all district collectors and superintendents of police.

Principal Secretary (Mines) T Ravikant said the SIT has been formed which includes mining engineers, vigilance mining engineers, etc.

ED chargesheet filed on Bengal sand smuggling

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED), which is probing the sand smuggling scam in West Bengal, on Saturday submitted a chargesheet to a CBI court at Bichar Bhavan in Salt Lake in connection with the case. The ED has also conducted raids in parts of the state in this regard.

Investigating officials of the ED believe that the scam involved around ₹145 crore. Names of 18 accused persons, including a businessman, have figured in the chargesheet containing substantiating documents running into 4,700 pages. Besides the 18 accused, the investigating officials have also mentioned 14 organisations said to have a hand in the scam, as per the chargesheet.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients namely **Smt. Venkatamma W/o Late.Papaiah,** aged about 52 years, R/at: Poojanahalli village, Kannamangala Post, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of **Late. Muniyamma W/o Late.Kadirappa who died on 11.08.2016** at Poojanahalli village, Kannamangala Post, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge, and JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing **on 13/2/2026. at 11.00 A.M. in C.Mis No.658/2025.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Venkata Raja S.N, Advocate

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By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Venkata Raja S.N, Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client Kumar.K s/o Kumma Maregowda, aged about 36 years, Residing at No.24, 80 feet Road, Kanakapura Main Road, Ramanjeneyanagara, Gubbalala, Subramanyapura, Bangalore-560061 owned by my client in respect of schedule property as mentioned as below: -

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.24, Assessment No.30/2, Khata No.30/2 Situated at Gubbalala Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet totally measuring 600 Sq.feet, My client has lost the original documents on 01.01.2023 as mentioned as below Sale deed executed by Sri.G.Krishnappa rep by his GPA holder Sri.Ramajeneya Reddy in favor of Sri.Kumar and Registered as Doc.No.BNG(U)KNGR/5471/2003-04 stored in CD.No.127 Registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk in respect of Schedule Property on 03.06.2003

If any of the general public has found the said documents shall be handed over the same within 7 days from the date of publication to the below mentioned address.

ADDRESS: **M.B.Chandra Shekar**
Advocates and legal consultants,
No.216, 1st Floor, Opp to Mahindra Finance
Balaji Layout, Anupama Hospital Road,
Bharath Nagar, Bangalore-560091
MOB: 9900089024

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby informed that, my client, negotiating the terms of purchase of the schedule property with its owners, **MONISH BAALIDHAAR.M, AND BAALADITYA BAALIDHAR.M.**

Person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right, title or interest in the schedule property stated below may lodge their objection in writing with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence for such claim **within 10 days** from this date. Person/s having filed any case/s in respect of the schedule property are also informed to lodge their objections with documentary proof within 10 days from the date of this publication. Any objections received thereafter will not be binding on my client and my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property as if there are no claims/ objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.257-C, New No.4214, situated at VHBCS, Complex Layout, Girinagar, Bengaluru-560 085 measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet with a residential building constructed thereon consisting of ground, first and second floor, about 70 squares in all, bounded on:

East by : Site No.257-B,
West by : Site No.258,
North by : North by No.281/A
South by : Road.

D.H.MOKHASHI & ASSOCIATES,
Advocate, Jaya Shanthi Nele,
No.831, 1st E Main Road,
Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road,
Girinagar, II stage, Bangalore-560 085.
Ph: 080-22281635/Mobile: 98454-98591

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The following borrower(s) has/have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest towards the Loan facility(ies) availed from ICICI Bank. The Loan(s) has/have been classified as Non-Performing Asset(s) (NPA). A Notice was issued to them under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, at their last known addresses. However, it has not been served and are therefore being notified by way of this Public Notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Secured Asset to be enforced	Date of Notice sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Pradeep Kumar Raman & R Santhosh Krithika/ C 03, KK Nagar RMTC Colony S No. 217/1 Mariammankovilpatti Theni - 625531/ LBBNG00005239043	Annexure "C" (Particulars of Secured Property) (As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel of Vacant Land Comprised In Survey No.217/1, To And Extant of Acre-6 And 15 Cents Out of Acre 16.65 Cents, On The Except Acre2.82 Cents On The Eastern Side And Acre 1.53 Cents On Northwest And Formed The Layout At K.K. Nagar, A-Sector, Plot No. A15, With An Extant of 5 ½ Cents And 2 Sq.ft, Situated At Door. No.3, Ward No.3 of K.K. Nagar of Veerapandi Village, Near On The Side of North East of Utkadai Mariyammankovilpatti, Theni Taluk, And District, Coming Under Registration District of Periyakulam And Sub-Registration District of Theni, Being Bounded On The; (Admeasuring An Area of 2400 Sq.ft Bounded By: North:23 Feet East-west Common Road South: Vacant Plot No.A2 East: Vacant Plot No.A16 West: Vacant Plot No.A14	November 13, 2025 Rs. 12,80,733/-	03/09/ 2025

These steps are being taken for substituted service of Notice. The above borrower/s and/or guarantor/s (as applicable) is/are advised to make the outstanding payment within 60 days from the date of publishing this Notice. Else, further steps will be taken as per the provisions of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: January 03, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Officer,
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Follow us on X @SCRailwayindia
Details of the Tender Notices of S.C Railway can be seen on our website: www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

TENDER NOTICE

PUBI1704

On behalf of The President of India, PCCM, South Central Railway invites Open Tenders for the following work through E-procurement.

Sl.No 1 **Tender No. & Date** C-CR-SG-PRS-M-25-26-SNT-2 Dt:29/12/2025 **Closing dt:** 30/01/2026 at 15.00 Hrs **Name of the work** Procurement of Routers, Switches, Structuring cabling for Tier-2 & Tier-3/4 locations as part of PAN india roll-out of PRS Modernization project of South Central Railway. **Approx Value (Rs)** ₹.138422607 **Bid security/EMD (Rs.)** 842100 **Allocation 20-17-23-03(CAPITAL PH 1700)** IRPSM ID: 110017251000001

For further details, visit the website **www.ireps.gov.in.** Bid Security/EMD shall be paid as per GCC-2022. *As per IRSGCC-2022, e-Tender Forms shall be issued free of cost to all tenderers. (Ref:RGCC 2022 part-I, Clause-3

Dy.CSTE/PRS/Secunderabad

E - Tender Notice No. GNT/SG/36/361, Dated: 30.12.2025

PUBI1705

The undersigned invites e-tenders for the works mentioned below up to **16:00 hrs of 23.01.2026.**

ID. No. 361 **Name of the work** Telecom Arrangement Works in Connection with Implementation of VHF sets with audio/voice recording facility over Guntur Division. **Advertised Tender Value (Rs.)** 2,57,95,593.00 **E.M.D/Bid-security (Rs.)** 2,79,000/- **Cost of Tender Document (Rs.)** NIL

1. If the date of opening of tenders happens to be declared holiday at later date, the tenders will be opened on the next working day at the stipulated time. 2. Last dates for online submission of E-bids are **23.01.2026 up to 16:00 hrs.** For detailed information logon to our website at **www.ireps.gov.in.** 3. Any further communication/ corrigendum shall only be intimated through E-portal **www.ireps.gov.in.**

Sr.DSTE/Guntur

Open e-Tender Notice No C/E.29/Elec/GS/SC/4/WS/OT/ 2025-26 Dt. 31.12.2025

PUBI1707

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tender for the given below work up to **15.00 hours on 21-01-2026**

S.No 1. **e-Tender No.** etenderNo. C/E.29/Elec/GS/SC/4/WS /OT/2025-26 etender No. C-E-GS-SC-4-OT-2025-26 **Name of work** GSU/SC : (i) Charlapalli - Provision for creation of Trip Maintenance/advance inspection center for inspection and maintenance activity of electric locos at CHZ. – Electrical arrangements (ii) Sanathnagar: Provision for creation of trip maintenance/advance inspection center for inspection and maintenance activity of Electric Locomotives. – Electrical arrangements **Tender Value [Rs]** 12716171.09 **EMD [Rs]** 213600.00 **CTF [Rs]** 0.00 **Completion period** 9 Months

1. Tender conditions/other particulars are available in the Tender documents on IREPS website at **"www.ireps.gov.in"** which can be downloaded, can be participated and can view any modifications if any. 2. The tender notice is also displayed in the Notice Board located in the office of Dy.CEE(Gati Shakti), Secunderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad which can be seen on all working days. 3. The Railway reserves the right to cancel the tender without assigning any reason there to.

Dy.CEE(Gati Shakti)/SC

Open e-Tender Notice

PUBI1714

For and on behalf of the President of India, the undersigned invites E-Tenders for the following work up to **15.30 hrs on Dt: 23.01.2026.**

Sl. No 1 **Name of the work** Tender Notice No & Date: SCR-BZA-SNT-E20-OT-25-26, Dt: 01.01.2026. VIJAYAWADA Division:- S&T works in connection with Provision of Aspiration type blue LED based aspiration system in Relay Room, equipment room and Battery rooms at 123 EI stations/Goomty and Repalcement of Non RDSO version Fire & smoke detector Alarm system with RDSO make at 31 EI stations/Goomty over Vijayawada Division. **Tender value Rs-ps** Rs. 8,89,00,739.87 **EMD Rs.** Rs. 5,94,500.00 Only through online or bid security **CT B Rs.** NIL **Completion Period** 365 Days

S.N 1. **Description** Date of closing and timing **Time** 15.30 hrs. **Date** 23.01.2026

1. Tender conditions/other particulars such as the details of name of work in full, the similar nature of the above works, eligibility criteria etc. are available in the Tender documents published in website at **"www.ireps.gov.in".** 2. The prospective tenderers are advised to visit website **"www.ireps.gov.in"** before the date of tender closing to note any changes/corrigenda for any tender.

Visit our site at **"www.ireps.gov.in".**

Divisional Railway Manager(S&T), /Vijayawada

In the Court of the Honorable City Civil Judge at Bengaluru (CCH -7) P and SC No. 366 of 2025

BETWEEN :

1. MRS. INDIRA RAJENDRAN
Wife of late Dr. Rajendran, Aged about 60 years, Phone – 8760889202,
2. MRS. R NANTHINI
Daughter of late Dr. Rajendran, Aged about 39 years, Phone – 8374306782,
Both Residing at No. 101, B Block, SSVR Lotus Pond, Halasahalli Road, Bengaluru – 560087. **.....PETITIONERS**

AND

NIL .....RESPONDENT/S

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas a case has been filed by the above-named petitioners under section 372 (1) of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, seeking for grant of Succession Certificate in favor of the petitioners by holding the petitioners as successors of late Dr. S Rajendran. That Dr. S Rajendran was expired on 17-10-2011.

Interested or Opposing parties are hereby directed to appear in this court, in person or by any pleader duly instructed or through any person authorized by law, **on 07-02-2026 (next date of hearing)** to show cause against the petitioners, failing which case will be heard and decided as per the facts, circumstances and evidences of the petitioners.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

3600 Shares/ securities of Godrej Consumer Products Ltd. from the IEPF account vide folio no. 0318371 held by late Dr. S Rajendran. The following is the description of the 3600 shares/ securities –

Certificate No.	Start Dist No.	End Dist No.	Total Shares
530087	65847265	65848464	1200
585642	740357952	740359151	1200
609078	1081388059	1081389258	1200

The present market value of one share is about Rs. 285.45 (Rupees Two hundred Eighty-five and Forty-five paise). As a result, the total market value for 3600 shares is about Rs. 10,27,620/- (Rupees Ten lakhs Twenty-seven thousand Six hundred Twenty only).

By order of this Court
Sd/- Assistant Registrar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Advocate for the Petitioners
ROOPESH N R and Associates
[No.18 (Old no. 228/B), 18th Main, Subramanya Nagar, Bengaluru-560021, Phone : 7760856671]

Tender Notice No.53/2026 Dt.02.01.2026

PUBI1716

Supply of Stores Items. E-Procurement Tender Notice: -The Following Tenders Have Been Floated Online. Tenders Are Requested To Visit The Website **www.Ireps.Gov.In** And Submit Their Offers Online. The Tender Description, Qty, EMD, SD May Be Seen In Website. Offers Submitted Manually Will Not Be Accepted. Offers By Post Will Not Be Entertained. Tender Closing Time Is 14.30 Hrs Of The Due Date Of The Tender. "For All Indigenous Offers, EMD Will Be Accepted Only Via Online System as Available On **www.ireps.gov.In."**

Tender No.	Brief Description
52257002	Rate contract for SW VHF sets
25255016	Compact design upgraded 7p RSI block
46251017A	Contactor for 60 KVA Transformer
33251511A	Earthing cable complete
33251403C	Brake support for fiat Bogie
38255022	Friction wedge
37255003	Casnub-22 HS Cast steel Bogie
25251003	Brake shoe

Note; due dates of tender opening SL.No.01 on dt.16.01.2026.SL.No. 02 on dt.19.01.2026. SL.No.03 &04 on dt.20.01.2026.SL No.05 to 08 on dt 27.01.2026.

CORRIGENDUM

1) Tender Notice No.50/2025 dt. 12.12.2025 Tender No.30253505D due on 01.01.2026 Brieff ;Dual flush valve of 32 mm inlet and outlet may be read as Due date 19.01.2026 instead of existing
2) Tender Notice No.52/2025 dt. 24.12.2025 Tender No.56255367 due on 16.01.2026 Brieff SMPS based Mini IPS system may be read as Due date 21.01.2026 instead of existing
Beside Above Mentioned Tenders There Are Other Tenders Having **Value Above Rs. 50** Lakhs for details Please Visit Railway Website Above.

Principal Chief Materials Manager
A2169 **/SCR/ Secunderabad**

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bamul **Nandini**

BENGALURU URBAN, BENGALURU RURAL & RAMANAGARA DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCER'S SOCIETIES UNION LTD.,
Dr. M.H.Marigowda Road, D.R.College Post, Bengaluru-560029

Invitation for Technical and Commercial Tender Part-1 for the appointment of Technical Consultants for setting up a Solar Power Generation Unit (IFT)

IFT No: BAMUL/GM(Engg)/Ele/E-Tender/103/25-26 **Date: 30.12.2025**

PUBLICATION OF E-TENDER

Tenders have been invited from eligible bidders through e-tender portal for the appointment of technical consultants for setting up a solar power generation unit by Bangalore Cooperative Milk Union. Details and Time are given below. The amount in respect of EMD should be valid up to 45 days after the validity period of the tender and the EMD amount has to be submitted only through e-procurement in any one of the formats as mentioned in the tender document.

	Job Description	EMD Amount (In Rs.)	Period
	Appointment of Technical Consultant for Solar Power Plant setting up for Bangalore Milk Unioin Limited	25000	90 Days
1	Technical tender documentation Availability to receive **(Access to E-Tender Portal only)**	**31.12.2025 to 16.01.2026 upto 4.00 PM**	
2	Last date for clarification of tender	**06.01.2026 upto 11.30 AM**	
3	Last date for submission of tender	**16.01.2026 upto 4.00 PM**	
4	Date/Time of Opening of Technical Tender (Part-1).	**17.01.2026 at 5.00 PM**	
5	Date/Time of Opening of Commercial Tender (Part-II).	Successful tenderers will be informed.	
6	Technical/ commercial tender opening	Board Room, Bangalore Cooperative Milk Union, Dr.M.H. Marigouda Road, Bangalore-560029.	

Tender Contact For more details, visit the website at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** vide **Tender no: KMF/2025-26/SE4673**

Sd/- Managing Director
Tender Inviting Authority, Bangalore Cooperative Milk Union,..

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
 # 49, East Wing, 4th & 5th Floor, Khanija Bhavan Race Course Road
Bengaluru – 560 001. Phone No. 080-22265383 website : www.kiadb.in

No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-EP-71/3090/2025-26 **Date: 03.01.2026**

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Item Rate Tender under two cover bid system is invited for the work mentioned below as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Contractors who have got adequate financial resources, state of the art technology, suitable construction equipments, technical man power & sufficient past experience for the following work as per the schedule given below:

Name of the Work : Shifting of existing 66kV Kora to Thovinakere SC line passing over the premises of Japanese Industrial Park at Vasanthanarasapura Industrial Area, Tumakuru Taluk & District.

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **20.01.2026** upto **4.00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Chief Engineer-1,
KIADB Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/4850/Zen/2025-26

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 05.02.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM), for recovery of Rs. 79,71,808.02/- as on 01.01.2026** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Sri Jagadish L R** S/o Rnagegowda, **(2) Smt. Shashikala J** W/o Jagdish L R, **Both are residing at:** No.395, Behind Suryodaya School, Rajanukunte, Bangalore-560064.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **04.02.2026 - 5.00 pm.** **(₹.In Lakhs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable assets as per the tripartite agreement:	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1	**SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: Item No.1:** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 31 Guntas comprised in Sy. No. 164/3 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengalore South Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated:16/02/12 bearing No. ALN (SA/SR/55/2008-09 issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on the: East by : Land bearing Sy. No. 164/2, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No. 164/1, South by: Land bearing Sy.No. 165. **Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring an extent of 25 Guntas comprised in Sy. No. 165/1 of S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengalore South Taluk (duly converted vide Official Memorandum dated:14/07/10 bearing No. ANL (H/SR/22/2010-11 issued by the District Commissioner, Bangalore District) and bounded on the: East by: Land bearing Sy. No. 172, West by: Land bearing Sy. No.72, North by: Land bearing Sy. No. 164, South by: Land bearing Sy.No. 165/2. **SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY:** 0.89% undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule A Property measuring about 543.3 Sq Ft. in an undivided state has been agreed to be sold to the Purchaser by the Owner/Developer under this agreement. **SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY :** Residential Apartment bearing No.217 in First Floor measuring about 1676 Sq.Ft. of super built up area consisting of 3 Bed Rooms with RCC roofing, tiled flooring, moulded doors and aluminium windows including proportionate share in common area such as passage, lobbies, staircase, lift and other areas of common use contained in the residential apartment complex known as "PUSHPAM E TOWN" comprising of Stilt, ground and Three upper floors constructed on the Schedule A property with One Car Parking Space exclusively earmarked for the sole use and enjoyment of the PURCHASER inclusive of the proportionate share in the common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift, stair-case and other areas of common use. **Coordinates of the property Latitude- 12.817250, Longitude- 77.779944**	₹. 44.00	₹. 4.40	₹. 0.50

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.080-25310066, 8598009010 and 9483544116 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 02.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

MP POORV KSHETRA VIDYUT VITARAN CO. LTD

विद्युत अधोति

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER O&M CIRCLE, M.P.P.K.V.V.Co. Ltd., SAGAR
Telephone no. 07582-261360, 261191, e-mail : se9551000@yahoo.co.in

No. SE/O&M/Sagar/6117 **dtd:- 02.01.2026**

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Online Tenders are invited for **Outsourcing of Unskilled, Semi-skilled and Skilled Manpower Required for Miscellaneous Works at O&M Circle, MPPKVVCL, Sagar**. The bid seals will be received online on the e-portal http://mptenders.gov.in, http://www.mpez.co.in up to date & time indicated below. The online tenders will be opened in the office of the undersigned as mentioned in tender time scheduled (key date). If desired the bidder or their duly authorized representatives may remain present at the time of opening of tender:-

Sr. No.	Tender Specification No.	Name of the Work / Services	Approx. Value (Rs. in Crores)	Tender fee (in Rs.)	EMD (in Rs.)	Due date of opening of Tender Online From 14:00 Hrs. (*)
1	T.S No. SE/O&M.Sagar/6117 Dt. 02.01.2026 (e-Tender No.2026_PKVVC_ 472867_1)	Outsourcing of Manpower Required for Miscellaneous Works under the jurisdiction of O&M Circle, MPPKVVCL, Sagar.	60.53	11800.00	1.00 Lakh	29.01.2026

* For uploaded / extended due dates for opening of tender (EMD in Cover-1 & Techno-commercial bid in Cover-2) please refer to the online key dates. Other details can be seen in the complete tender documents available on e-portal https://mptenders.gov.in.

SAVE ENERGY FOR BETTER TOMORROW **S.E. (O&M) MPPKVVCL, Sagar**

''विद्युत अनियमितता संबंधी शिकायत के लिए वी मित्र ऐप डाउनलोड करें और पाएं रू. 50,000 तक का इनाम।''

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ನೀಸ&ಒಚ (ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ) ವಿಭಾಗ, ವಾಣಿನೀಸ ಆವರಣ, ಯಾದವಗಿರಿ, ಮೈಸೂರು-570020

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಮೈನಪಾ/ಕಾಇಂ/ನೀಸ&ಒಚ(ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ)/ಸ.ಅ/ಟಿಎನ್-21/916/2025-26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03.01.2026

ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ವಿವಿಧ ಅನುದಾನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ KTPP ನಿಯಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ವಿವರ	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಸಂಜೆ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ	ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗೆ	ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
				ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ
1	kw-1 & kw-2	09 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಳು	230.71	06.01.2026	21.01.2026	22.01.2026

ವಿಶೇಷ ಸೂಚನೆ: ಮುಂದೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಸೂಚನೆ/ಬದಲಾವಣೆ/ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕೆಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು
ನೀಸ&ಒಚ (ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ) ವಿಭಾಗ
ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು.

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಮೈಸೂರು/1468/ಶಿರಡಿಸಾಯಿ/2025-26

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗ, ಲೋ.ಇ. ಅನೆಕ್ಸ್ ಕಟ್ಟಡ, 2ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ವೃತ್ತ,
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–560 001. ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 080–22133370

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಾಇ/ಲೋಇ/ಬೆಂವಿ/ಎಇ2/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:03.01.2026

ದರಸೂಚಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಮೊಹರು ಮಾಡಿದ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಹಾಯಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ನಂ.1, ಲೋ.ಇ. ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಉಪವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರುರವರು **Construction of Farm/Agri Innovation Centre at Electronic City Phase-1, Bengaluru ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಪರಿಷ್ಕೃತ ಅಂದಾಜು ಪಟ್ಟಿಯನ್ನು ತಯಾರಿಸಲು ಅಗತ್ಯವಿರುವ ದರಸೂಚಿಗೆ** ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ–2000ರನ್ವಯ, ಕೆಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–ಐರ ನಿಯಮಗಳಂತೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ/ ಅರ್ಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಂದ ವಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ವಿವರಣೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣ ವಿವರಣೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡಲು ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ವಿವರ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ: ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು / ಅರ್ಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ಲಕೋಟೆಯ ಮೇಲ್ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು ಮತ್ತು ವಿಳಾಸವನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸಿ ಮೊಹರು ಬಂದ ಲಕೋಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೋಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು.

Sl. No.	Description of Work	Unit	Qty
1	Providing, Supplying and Fixing of 27 SERIES DOMAL 2 TRACK SLIDING WINDOWS Domal series windows material using 60 micron jottan powder coated aluminum extrusions of JINDAL make. Outer frame material details like 40x45x1.2mm, Inner shutter material details like 65x27x1.2mm, inter lock clip details like 38x28x1.4mm, Using 5mm clear glass (Saint Gobain). Accessories like EPDM Gaskets, 25x38x3mm tnk 'L' angle, SS Screws, interlock Clips, wood screws, Bearings Lockset, wall plugs, 789 Dowsil weather proof silicon, including cost of materials, labour, usage charges of machinery complete as per specifications and direction of Engineer-in-charge (The cost is inclusive of all fixtures and separate charges for minor T&P's shall not be made)	Sq. Mtres	1
2	Providing and fixing factory made (Fire Rated Doors) modular panel with polyester powder coated to 60-80 microns on 120 gsm GPSP GI Sheet having properties like resistance to abrasion and chemicals, thermal and sound insulation, corrosion resistance and good UV protection. With aesthetic qualities having smooth & even surface which also help in easy cleaning & maintenance with antimicrobial coating and View panels are similar to panels with cut out for vision. in view panel in which 6mm toughened glass is flushed with the both skins of partitition, these panels to be in one single piece with glass view. The internal section glass is made from SS or GI. It has moisture-absorbing silica-gel granules along the SS/GI/ALUMINIUM Frame keep the glazing unit cavity moisture-free (1) Frame from 80x57x2mm G.I. Thick Sheet (2) Shutter from 1.2mm G.I. Thick Sheet (3) Infill material-Rock Wool (4) Finishing Shade-5015 Blue, (5) Given Sizes in Wall Opening Size., NOTES: (A) DOOR CLOSER: Dorset (B) Concealed Tower Bolt., (C) VIEW GLASS: 300x500mm (double glass) (D) HANDLE SS 304x300mm (E) LOCK: DOR-OK LOCK (F) HINGES: SS Ball Bearing Hinges, (G) DROP SEAL: complete as per direction of Engineer-In Charge. (Fixtures shall be paid for separately).	Sq. Mtres	1

ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲು ನಿಗದಿಗೊಳಿಸಿರುವ ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 13.01.2026ರ ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** ಇಚ್ಛೆಯುಳ್ಳ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು/ಅರ್ಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ಮೇಲ್ಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಅಂಶಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಷರತ್ತುಗಳಿಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟು ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ನಿಗದಿತ ಸಮಯದೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಮುದ್ರಾಂಕ ಅಥವಾ ಪೋಸ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. **ಷರತ್ತುಗಳು:** (1) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು/ಅರ್ಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಮೊದಲು ಸ್ಥಳವನ್ನು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಾಗಿ ವೀಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮಾಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳೇನಾದರೂ ಬೇಕಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. (2) ಕೊಟೇಷನ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವಾಗ ದರಗಳನ್ನು (ಅಂಕಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಕ್ಷರಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)

Allies & rivals worried over US Venezuela action

PARIS

Pedestrians run after explosions were heard in Caracas, Venezuela | AP

The US military operation that led to the capture of Venezuelan President Nicolas Madruo on Saturday sparked alarm across the international community, with allies and foes of Washington and Caracas expressing disquiet.

US President Donald Trump said Nicolas Maduro and his wife would be taken to New York to face federal charges after military strikes and an operation which he described as looking like a "television show". The Venezuelan government decried what it termed a "extremely serious military aggression" by Washington and declared a state of emergency.

Countries such as Russia and Iran, which had longstanding ties with Maduro's government, were quick to condemn the operation but their alarm was also shared by Washington's allies including France and the EU.

Russia demanded the US leadership "reconsider its position and release the legally elected president of the sovereign country and his wife". Beijing said "China is deeply shocked and strongly condemns the US's blatant use of force against a sovereign state and its action against its president".

Iran, which Trump bombed last year, said it "strongly condemns the US military attack on Venezuela and a flagrant violation of the country's national sovereignty and territorial integrity". Mexico, which Trump has also threatened with military force over drug trafficking, strongly condemned the US military action in Venezuela, saying it "seriously jeopardises regional stability."

The EU more generally expressed concern at the developments and urged respect for international law, even as it noted that Maduro "lacks legitimacy". British Prime Minister Keir Starmer said all countries should "uphold international law" and added that "the UK was not involved in any way in this operation" as he urged patience in order to "establish the facts".

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres was "deeply alarmed" by the US strikes, with his spokesman quoting him as saying it could "constitute a dangerous precedent".

Meanwhile, Israel's foreign minister on Saturday hailed the American nighttime operation in Venezuela that resulted in the capture of President Nicolas Maduro, saying Washington acted as the "leader of the free world".

"Israel stands alongside the freedom-loving Venezuelan people, who have suffered under Maduro's illegal tyranny. Israel welcomes the removal of the dictator who led a network of drugs and terror and hopes for the return of democracy to the country and for friendly relations between the states," Foreign Minister Gideon Saar wrote on X. *AFP*

ನಗರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಉಡುಪಿ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಉನಸ:ಬಿ4:ಸಿಆರ್:2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03.01.2026

ಟೆಂಡರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

2025–26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ನೀರು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮತ್ತು ಒಳಚರಂಡಿ ನಿಧಿಯಡಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ **Standard Bid Document K.W-3** ರ ನಿಯಮ ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟು (ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಆಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿರುವಂತೆ) **e-procurement** ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಚೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದವರಿಂದ ಮತ್ತು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಿಂದ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

(1) ತುಂಬಿದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **19.01.2026** ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (2) ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **20.01.2026** ಸಂಜೆ 5.01 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ (3) ಅರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಅರ್ಹ ಬಿಡ್ದುದಾರರಿಗೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ: (1) **DMA/2025-26/WS/WORK_INDENT 53594**, ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ: **7310000.00**, ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ : **109650.00**, ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಪೂರ್ತಿಗೊಳಿಸುವ ಅವಧಿ: 12 ತಿಂಗಳು

ವಾಸಾಇ/ಸಿಎಸ್/ಎಂಸಿಎ/634/25–26 ದಿ: 03.01.2025

ಸಹಿ/– ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು, ಉಡುಪಿ ನಗರಸಭೆ

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.

Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708. Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **22.01.2026 for recovery of Rs.57,54,592/- (Rupees Fifty-Seven Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Two Only)** being the amount due as on **29.12.2025** (this amount includes interest applied till **29.12.2025**) with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **(1) Mrs. Presilda Doulgas Vadakot,** No.138, 4th Main Poorana Pranjan Layout, 3rd Stage, Banashankari Bangalore-560085. **Also at: Mrs. Presilda Doulgas Vadakot Teacher Moessori,** Max and Mary AG Robert Koch Str. 94 53127, Bonn, Germany. **(2) Mr. Pradeep Suresh Karinahalli** S/o K SURESH BABU , No. 138, 4th Main Poorana Pranjan Layout, 3rd Stage, Banashankari Bangalore-560085. **Also At: Mr. Pradeep Suresh Karinahalli Project Management Associate, IBM INDIA PVT LTD.,** No. 3K. Sarjapura Road, Koramangala Industrial Layout, Bangalore-560034. Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs.60,52,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Fifty-Two Thousand Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.6,05,200/-(Rupees Six Lakhs Five Thousand Two Hundred Only)** through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 21.01.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027, Addressed to Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public E Auction	**On 22.01.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.**

DETAILS OF ENTIRE PROPERTY:

SCHEDULE-A: All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Bruhath Bengalore Mahanagar palike assigned Municipal Katha no. 569/101/3/26,27 (Earlier to that BBMP assigned Muncipal Khatha no's 569/101/3/26 and 568/101/3/27) situated at Virupakshapura, Amaruthalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli. Bengaluru, North Taluk, within Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palik ward No.7, Amaruthhalli, in all measuring 9050Sq.ft and property is bounded as under: East By : Road, West By : Property No.14A, North By : Property No.27, South By : Road.

SCHEDULE-B : (Description of undivided share in schedule A Property conveyed) 568 Sq.ft of undivided right, title, interest and ownership in the land comprised in the schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE-C : (Description of the Apartment Conveyed) Residential Apartment bearing F01, measuring 1155 Sq.ft of super built up area (inclusive of proportionate share in all the common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use) situated on First Floor of multistoried residential apartment building called "COCOON" constructed on Schedule A Property and with One exclusive car parking space demarcated in the Stilt Floor of said residential apartment building. Roof: RCC Walls: Bricks Flooring: Tiles Doors and Windows: Glass and Wooden And provided with Electricity, Water Supply connections and sanitary and sewerage disposal connections.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile No.9886960484 & +91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/ Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 02.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **AXIS BANK LTD.,**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general Public that my Clients **Smt. Bhuvaneswari S.** and **Sri. G. Suresh Kumar** are intending to purchase the property described in the Schedule hereunder from its present owner **Sri. Hanumantharaya M.,** S/o Late Sri. Madiyappa.

If any person/s or entities have any right, title, interest or claim over the Schedule Property or objections to the proposed sale transaction in favour of my Clients, the same may be present/lodged with the undersigned with documentary proof/ evidence within 10 (Ten) days from the date of this Public Notice. If no objections are received within the said period, my Clients will proceed further to complete the sale transaction in respect of the Schedule Property and no claims are entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE:

All that piece and parcel of the Agricultural Land measuring 5 Acres 30 Guntas, situated at **Sy. No. 247, Hegunda Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District,** and bounded on: East by : Land of Sri. Kumbaiah West by : Land of Manjanna North by : Road South by : Land of Gangahanumaiah

Bharat Kumar S.
Advocate
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Place: Bangalore Date: 04.01.2026

IN THE COURT OF IX ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT AT BENGALURU
P & SC No. 93 OF 2025

BETWEEN: MR. ANANDA .M S/o Mr. Muniyappa, aged about 34 years R/o Doddadunnasandra Village Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District ... **PETITIONER**

AND: NIL ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the petitioner has instituted the above petition before this Court under Section 276 of Indian Succession Act seeking grant of probate in respect of the will dated 13/09/2019 executed by Smt.Sonnamma D/o Chikkarasappa in respect of the schedule property hereunder mentioned. If anybody having any claim, right, title or interest in the schedule property, appear before this court in person or through an advocate on **24-01-2026** at 11 A.M and file their objection and contest the said claim, failing which the matter will be heard & decided in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the land measuring 02 guntas in Sy No.59/1 (old Sy.No.59) of Doddadunnasandra Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, bounded on: **East by**: Land belonging to Rajappa, **West by:** Remaining land in same survey number, **North by:** Government road, **South by:** Land of Kenchegowda.

Given under the sign and seal of the court on this 3rd day of January 2026.

By order of the Court, Chief Administrative Officer, District & Sessions Court, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore-560 009.

N. GURUVA REDDY, Advocate
No. 34, Ganesha Krupa, 2nd Floor, 1st Main Road, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru.
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SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the Agricultural Land measuring **2-00 Acres** and 0-02 Guntas of Kharab in **New Sy.No.152 (Old Survey No.79),** of Majara Attikunte Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the:** East by : Land belonging to Kusuma & Bhavya; West by : Land belonging to K. Seenappa; North by : Land belonging to Gottukunte Nagarathnamma & Chinnamaya; South by : Land belonging to Gopalappa, Deviramma & Thirupatheppa.

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This is to inform that my client Smt. Shubha Ravi Kumar, Wife of Sri. M. A. Ravi Kumar, has lost the Original Documents 1) **Sale Deed dated** 28-May-1979, registered as Document No. 753/1979-80 of Book-I, Volume No.1400 Pages 26, registerd in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore **2) Sale Deed dated** 20-11-1987, registered as **Document No.** 6885/1987-88 of Book-I, at Volume 2687 at pages 38-41, registered in the office the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore with respect of Property bearing Site No.288/1, Khatha No. 54-169-288/1, E-PID No. 8718081177, situated at Vishwa Bharathi House Building Co-operative Society, 1st Phase, Girinagar, Hosakerehalli, Bangalore-560 085, measuring East to West 40 Feet North to South 30 Feet, in all measuring 1200 Square Feet, a Police Complaint dated 03-01-2026, Lost Report No. 1989915/2026 has been lodged through online with this regard.

In case if any one finds the document the same may be returned to the undersigned. It is further informed that if any body mis-utilises the said document they shall be doing so at their own risk.

Geetha D.S., Advocate
118, 1st Floor, 70th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010,
Ph:9900627076.
Date:03.01.2026, Bangalore

DOCUMENT LOST

I, **Mrs. KAMALA D,** W/o Devaprakash U.G, age 46 years, R/at No. 395, CIGM Bethel Telugu Church, Sidhartha Nagar, Jalahalli West, Bangalore-560 015 do hereby inform to the general public that I am the absolute and lawful owner in possession of immovable property bearing Vacant Site No.: 27, Gramatana No.: 61/2 and 61/3, Thotadaguddadahalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru. That upon the registration of the Sale Deed in my favour on 22.11.2013, the said Mr. K S Chandra Bhan handed over all original title documents pertaining to the said property, including the Previous Sale Deed dated 22nd June 2007, by which he had purchased the property from Mr. P B Nanjundaiah. This previous Sale Deed was registered as No. MDL-1-00615-2007-08, Book-1, at the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Madanayakanahalli, Bengaluru. That I regret to state that the original of the said Previous Sale Deed dated 22.06.2007 was inadvertently lost / misplaced during the shifting of my residence around 27th October 2025. Despite a thorough and diligent search, the document could not be located. That, I have lodged a police complaint and complaint has been acknowledged as Lost Report No. 1876096/2025, dated 30th October 2025.

If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on **7022840410.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Smt. Sunita Patil, Aged 44 years, W/o. Umesh Patil, residing at H.No.2153, D-Block, Opposite Corporation Bank, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru do hereby state that I have lost one original Page No.4 (Numbered as Page No.7 in the Sub-Registrar office) of the Sale Deed of my predecessor in title in respect of Immovable Property bearing No.39 Katha No.475, in Hormavu, formed in Amar Regency Layout, 4th Cross, formed out of Converted Sy Nos. 99/1, 99/2 and 100/1B, situated at Hormavu Village, Krishanarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Vide Conversion Order No. BDS.ALN.SR(E) CR:5/2003-04, Dated:13-05-2003, BBMP Katha No.475, e-katha No.6152689788 Ward No.25 Ward Name: Horamavu Property No.797/475/39 Measuring East to West: 76 feet 11 inches on the Northern side 102 feet 5 inches on the Southern side and North to South: 39 feet 4 inches on the Eastern side 48 feet 5 inches on the Western side in all measuring 3520 Square Feet, which is registered in Book-I as Doc.No.BNS-1-08456-2011-12, C.D.No.BNSD140 Dated 17-12-2011, while I had taken it for photocopying near my house. If anyone finds the aforementioned original document, please deliver it to the address above or contact us at 99001-48162 or 9916145848. If any person misuses the aforementioned original, they will do so at their own cost, risk, and consequence. A complaint has been lodged in this regard on Vide, Lost Article Report / Police Unit: Bengaluru City / Lost Report No.198635 Dated 31/12/2025 through my advocate Sri B. Srinivas.

Smt. Sunitha Patil Wife of Umesh Patil
H.No.2153, D-Block, Opposite Corporation Bank, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru.
Bengaluru Date:03-01-2025

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Public are hereby informed that my client has negotiated to purchase the property shown in the Schedule below from **Mrs. K S Kusuma** D/o Mr. K Seenappa and **Mrs. K S Bhavya** D/o Mr. K Seenappa, both are Residing at Emmenatha Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, Karnataka -563136. The above-named persons have represented that they are the absolute owners of the Schedule Property. Any person/s, institution/s having any right, title, claim or interest of any nature in the Schedule Property or any objections of any manner whatsoever to the above sale transaction between my client and **Mrs. K S Kusuma** and **Mrs. K S Bhavya,** are hereby called upon to notify the undersigned and file objections/claims along-with supporting documents within **10 days** from the date of publication of this Notice at the address mentioned below. If no such claim is received, it would be deemed that the above-mentioned owners have clear and marketable title to the property specified below and that others do not have any claim over the same and/or claims if any will be deemed to have been waived. Any claims raised thereafter shall not be entertained or binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the Agricultural Land measuring **4-00 Acres** and 0-02 Guntas of Kharab in **Sy.No.86,** of Majara Attikunte Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the:-** East by : Land belonging to Thippanna, Ramappa and Appoji; West by : Land belonging to Samanna, Krishnappa and Narayanamma; North by : Land belonging to Shanthamma Wife of Narayanappa; South by : Land belonging to Deviramma and Thimappa.

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SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the Agricultural Land measuring **3-20 (Three Acres Twenty Guntas)** in **Sy.No.156,** of Majara Attikunte Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the:-** East by : Land belonging to Narayanamma & Chinnamayya; West by : Kharabhu Bande; North by : Kharabhu Bande; South by : Land belonging to Mudhappa & Nagaraju.

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SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the Agricultural Land measuring **2-00 Acres** in **New Sy.No.169 (Old Survey No.79)** of Majara Attikunte Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the:** East by : Land belonging to G. Krishnappa; West by : Land belonging to K.Seenappa; North by : Land belonging to Gottikunte Krishnappa & Govt Kharabu Bande; South by : Land belonging to Narayanamma.

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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ನಮ್ಮ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ. ಆನಂದ ಆರ್.ಕೆ, ಪಿಸ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣೇಗೌಡ, ವಿಳಾಸ:– ನಂ. 282, 1ನೇ ಮೈನ್, 3ನೇ ಕ್ರಾಸ್, ಎನ್.ಟಿ.ಐ. ಲೇಔಟ್, 1ನೇ ಹಂತ, ರಾಜೀವ್ ಗಾಂಧಿ ನಗರ, ಕೊಡಿಗೆಹಳ್ಳ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ, ಸಹಕಾರನಗರ ಅಂಚೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಇವರು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಪೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರಿಸಲಾದ ಶ್ರೀ. ಜಿ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸಯ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಶ್ರೀ. ಗಂಗಾಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಕೆ. ನಡುವಿನ ವಿಭಜನೆ ಪತ್ರ ನಂ. MGD-1-05397-2018-19, ಪುಸ್ತಕ–1, ಪ.ಡಿ.ನಂ.MGDD284.ರಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಗಾಗಡಿಂಯ ಉಪ ನೋಂದಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಲಾದ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಇದರ ಹಕ್ಕುತ ಮಾಲೀಕರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ. ಗಂಗಾಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಯ್ಯ ಟಿ.ಕೆ, ಪಿಸ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕಂಬಯ್ಯ ಮನೆ. ನಂ.28/ಎ, ಹೊಸ ನಂ.274, ದೊಡ್ಡ ಮನೆ, ಕೃಷ್ಣಪ್ಪ ಲೇಔಟ್, 2ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, ಆರಕೆರೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ–560076. ಇವರಿಂದ ಖರೀದಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಈ ಪೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿಗೆ ಸಂಭಂದಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಹಿಡಿತಿಕೆ, ಆಸ್ತಿ ಅಥವಾ ಮಾರಾಟಕ್ಕೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಹೊಂದಿರುವ ಯಾವುದೇ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಯು ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯ 07 ದಿನಗಳ ಒಳಗೆ ಅದರ ಸಾಕ್ಷ್ಯಚಿತ್ರ ಪುರಾವೆಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿದವರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಬೇಕು, ಇಲ್ಲದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರು ಪೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಖರೀದಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗೆ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಇಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ, ಮತ್ತು ಖರೀದಿ ವ್ಯವಹಾರವನ್ನು ಮುಂದುವರೆಸುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಪೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಸ್ವತ್ತು

ಮಾಗಡಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಸೋಲೂರು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ತಟ್ಟಿಕೆರೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 67/5, ಮತ್ತು ಈಗ ಪೋಡಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿರುವ ಹೊಸ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 67/11,ರ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 2 ಎಕರೆ 01 ಗುಂಟೆ, ಮತ್ತು 01 ಗುಂಟೆ ಖರಾಬ್ ಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುವ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿಗೆ ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ:–

ಪೂರ್ವಕ್ಕೆ: ಲಾ.ಹಿ.8; ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ: ಬ್ಲಾಕ್–1;
ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ: ಮುಪ್ಪೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗಡಿ; ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ: ಲಾ.ಹಿ.69.

ಆನಂದ್ ಗೌಡ ಡಿ.ಇ. ವಕೀಲರು
#101, 2ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ನಂ.11 & 13,
ಪಿ.ವಿ. ಆರ್ಕೇಡ್, 6ನೇ ಮತ್ತು 7ನೇ ಕ್ರಾಸ್ ನಡುವೆ,
ಮಾರಮ್ಮ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನ ಬೀದಿ, ಸಂಜಿಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆಗೆ ಸಮಾನಾಂತರ,
ಮಲ್ಲೇಶ್ವರಂ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು –560003.

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SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the Agricultural Land measuring **1-00 Acres** in **Sy.No.169 (Old Survey No.79)** of Majara Attikunte Village, Avani Hobli, Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar District, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the:** East by : Land belonging to G. Krishnappa; West by : Land belonging to K.Seenappa; North by : Land belonging to Gottikunte Krishnappa & Govt Kharabu Bande; South by : Land belonging to Narayanamma.

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POSSESSION NOTICE For Immovable Property [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Maharashtra** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (12) of Section 13 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **24.10.2025** calling upon the **borrower : M/s. Navbhan Exporters, Partneship Firm represented by its Partners : Mrs. Padmavathi & Mr. Motilal Gotawat and the Guarantors, (i) Mrs. Padmavathi, (ii) Mr. Motilal Gotawat and (iii) M/s. Navbhan Mineral Processing Pvt. Ltd.,** to repay amount aggregating **Rs. 25,26,702.00 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Twenty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Two only)** plus unapplied interest thereon as mentioned in the demand notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. The notice was sent through Regd. AD Post and hand delivery.

The borrower as well as guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower as well as guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on this **2nd day of January of the year 2026.**

The borrower as well as guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Bank of Maharashtra, City Market Branch** for an amount hereinabove mentioned.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The details of the properties mortgaged to the Bank and taken possession by the Bank are as follows : All that piece of Industrial Plot bearing No. 243 in Survey Nos.212, 233 & 234 admeasuring area 6180

₹2.88L CR The total Central govt spending on subsidies as on November 2025. This is 75% of the FY26 budget target of ₹3.83 lakh crore

Devyani, SFIL merger: Recipe for growth?

The two Indian franchises of Yum! Brands have joined hands to revive growth, beat competition

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

THE merger of two leading brands — Sapphire Foods India Ltd (SFIL) and Devyani International Ltd (DIL) — is all set to create a fast-food major with more than 3,000 stores, a consolidated turnover of more than ₹7,800 crore and operations in markets such as India, Nigeria, Nepal, Thailand and Sri Lanka.

Besides retailing the American multinational fast-food corporation Yum! Brands' offerings such as KFC, Pizza Hut and Taco Bell, the merged entity will also hold licences for other global QSR brands, including Costa Coffee, Tea Live, New York Fries, and Sanook Kitchen, in their respective markets. Sapphire will merge with Devyani, consolidating the Indian franchise operations of Yum! Brands-owned chains under one listed entity. As part of the deal, DIL will issue 177 shares for every 100 shares held in SFIL.

Once the merger is complete, Sapphire shareholders will cease to hold SFIL shares and will instead receive Devyani International shares in the specified swap ratio.

Rationale for joining hands

The merger is happening at a time when QSR chains in India are witnessing sluggish growth, lower margins, and almost flat demand growth as consumers are holding on to discretionary spending. QSR sales are down also due to intense competition (cloud kitchens, food delivery apps like Zomato/Swiggy) and evolving consumer tastes.

This has led to softer demand and fragmented market share, with companies resorting to discounts to maintain volumes which in turn is impacting profitability.

From McDonald's, Burger King, Pizza Hut to KFC, same-store sales are declining and footfalls are falling. Sapphire Foods and Devyani International's recent quarterly earnings numbers also indicate a growing concern. DIL slipped into the red in the September quarter (Q2FY26), posting a net loss of ₹21.8 crore, compared with a marginal profit of ₹0.02 crore in the same period last year. The company's expansion also slowed as it added only 39 net new stores during the quarter, taking the total store count to 2,184 at the end of September 2025. The Average Daily Sales (ADS) for Devyani stood at ₹94,000 per store in March 2025, down from ₹105,000 per store a year ago, translating into a 6.4% drop in Same Store Sales Growth.

Sapphire Foods also reported a net loss of ₹12.7 crore for September 2025 quarter, widening from a loss of ₹3 crore in the same period in 2024. Revenue rose by just 7% year-on-year to ₹742.7 crore. In FY25, average daily sales from KFC stores for Sapphire Foods came down to ₹1,14,000 from ₹1,25,000 a year ago. For Pizza Hut stores, the average daily sales remained stagnant at ₹46,000. In FY23, the average sales were ₹58,000. Devyani management has guided for steady-state synergies to start accruing from the second year of integration, leading to EBITDA benefit for the combined entity to the tune of ₹200-250 crore, driven primarily by lower royalty costs, reduction in corporate overheads, and multiple scale and synergy benefits.

JM Financial highlighted that this translates to an estimated EBITDA benefit of Rs 100 crore to ₹150 crore in the first integration year (FY28). "Post-merger the combined entity will be amongst India's largest QSR players; it will also be a multi-brand, multi-cuisine and multi-country QSR platform, and will potentially offer superior growth visibility, improved resilience across demand cycles and a structurally stronger business model," stated the brokerage.

Emkay Global Financial Services said the highlighted savings by the management are significant, at around 15% of the combined Ebitda estimate for the two companies. It stated that the combined entity will have a 50-60% higher revenue/Ebitda scale (vs current levels), and agreement negotiations with Yum! provide synergies in terms of improved decision-making, new innovations, use of tech, and better sourcing efficiencies.

Competition

Jubilant FoodWorks, promoted by the Bhartia family, is the largest QSR chain operator in India, with a network comprising 3,480 stores across six markets — India, Turkey, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Azerbaijan and Georgia as on September 30, 2025. It has a portfolio of three global brands — Domino's, Popeyes and Dunkin' – and two of its own brands.

In the September quarter (Q2FY26), Domino's, under Jubilant, opened 81 new stores, taking the total count to 2,321 outlets.

Unlike other QSR chains, Jubilant continues to report healthy growth in revenue and profit. The company's net profit rose to ₹186 crore in the September quarter from Rs 64 crore in the year-ago period. Revenue rose 20% to ₹2,340 crore from ₹1,955 crore in the same quarter last fiscal.

JOINING FORCES

Acquisition of stores: Devyani to acquire **19** KFC stores in Hyderabad, currently operated by Yum! Brands

Yum! Approval Payment: Devyani will pay **₹320** crore to Yum! for merger approval and additional territory rights

Timeline: Merger is likely to get completed in **12-15** months, effective from April 1, 2026

SHARE SWAP RATIO: For every **100** shares of Sapphire Foods held, shareholders will receive **177** newly issued shares of Devyani International (DIL)

ENTITY	STORE COUNT	ADS*(₹)	REVENUE (₹ CR)	PROFIT (₹ CR)
Devyani Int	2,184	94,000	4,988	62
Saphhire Foods	1,296	87,000	2,919	17

Note: All figs till March 2025 except store counts, which are as of Sept 2025

NEWSCOPE

ARAVALLIS, A NEW TURN IN ECOLOGY BATTLE

GURBIR SINGH

THERE are some twists in the legal battle to save the Aravalli Hills. In a surprise development, on November 20, the Supreme Court accepted a special committee's definition that only hills above a 100-metre elevation above the surrounding land would be recognised as protected 'hills'.

Following an outcry from the scientist community and grassroot movements, a vacation bench of the apex court, on 29 December, last year, paused its own judgement and said the issue warranted re-examination. By and large, the higher courts, especially the Supreme Court, have been consistent sentinels against ecological degradation. The November 20 judgment marks a change in that approach when a bench led by the former Chief Justice of India BR Gavai signaled mining and infrastructure development would take precedence over environmental defences.

The flip side has been greater citizen activism, especially from urban areas; something the government had not bargained for. When pausing the November judgment, Chief Justice Surya Kant mentioned public dissent as one of the factors that had nudged the court into staying its earlier judgment.

The stakes are high

The possible destruction of the Aravalli Range is a big deal. It is one of the oldest mountain systems, stretching through 800 kilometres covering the four states of Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan and Gujarat. For eons it has formed a crucial ecological barrier separating the arid sands of the Thar Desert from the fertile plains in the south. As an acquifier it has prevented desertification while creating a vast green lung for the region.

For an old mountain system that has low peaks, the 100-meter height definition was a clever death sentence. The government's own Forest Survey of India (FSI) report has noted that of the 12,081 documented Aravalli hills of heights measuring 20 meters or more, only 1,048, or just 8.7% exceed 100 meters. Another survey by the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), says more than 70 per cent of Rajasthan's current Aravallis — covering 18,092 villages and spanning 83,380 square kilometres — are likely to be delisted under the new notification. In the case of Gujarat and Haryana, 82% of the hills risk denotification, while Delhi may lose its entire Aravalli buffer. The rolling back of the protection the Aravalli Hills, enjoyed under the old Environment Protection Act and other state legislation, isn't an isolated aberration.

The government had set their eyes on the mining deposits in the region particularly atomic minerals such as uranium and thorium, as well as rare earth elements such as tantalum and tungsten. The Centre in January 2025 launched the National Critical Mineral Mission aimed at developing "sustainable, resilient and self-reliant" mineral supply chains. No doubt, this is of economic importance. However, as the definition and the future of the Aravalli Hills goes back for re-examination, the courts must use the mountain of environment protection legislation, to protect the ecological balance. Sustaining human life well into the future must dominate other more near-term economic goals.

MANDAR PARDIKAR

Real estate greed

In most cases, these near-term goals are nothing but real estate greed. As the density in cities increases and developable land for construction shrinks, builders and their allies in government begin to eye sensitive non-development zones in and around the city's periphery. These could be mangrove forests along coastal regions, or forest zones abutting urban sprawls. Currently in the news is the Bannerghatta National Park, near Bengaluru. In 2018, the Karnataka government had initiated steps to drastically reduce the declared, eco-sensitive zone (ESZ) from 269 sq kilometres to just 169 sq kms. This home for rich flora, and fauna, and serving as a carbon absorbing backyard for the overdeveloped city, has fallen prey to a lobby of real estate and mining interests.

The dereservation move has been challenged in the Supreme Court by a few activists in May 2025. The apex court had then appointed an expert panel to study the environmental impact of the government proposal. The panel is now in the process of visiting and studying the Bannerghatta Park..

Almost mirroring the Bengaluru proposal in Mumbai, the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC), has in October proposed a new master plan that will effectively destroy the Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP) -- a verdant forest reserve on the northern outskirts of the city. The 106 sq kilometer park, perhaps the smallest in the world, serves as green lung for the densely populated city.

The new proposal is for the 48% of the Park to be declared an eco-sensitive zone (ESZ). But there is a catch. The ESZ has been divided into 3 categories, of which two will allow construction terming these areas as 'developable land'.

Today, the green pocket serves as a buffer against indiscriminate development and pollution. Any reduction in the size of the Park will make it unsustainable. As it is tribal and local hamlets around the SGNP are facing leopard attacks as the animal-man conflict has sharpened with the shrinking forests. Ironically, these thousands of migrant families, who had been evicted from these forest areas, in defense of saving the national park, are today mute spectators to the same land being handed over for real estate development.

One must be wary not to be caught in the pitch of 'development versus environment'. The only development can be one which will sustain human life in the long term; and, unfortunately, the only buffer that cares is the higher judiciary.

Mumbai leads in home sales in Q3 as registration rises 6%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

MUMBAI, which commands the highest real price tags in the country and is also among the dearest globally, has recorded its strongest housing sales in the last 14 years in 2025. The property registrations rose to 1,50,254, driven by increase in end-user demand and supportive supply-side ecosystem.

According to a Knight Frank report, the housing registration in the megapolis crossed the 1.5-lakh units mark. The Maharashtra government has collected ₹13,487 crore through stamp duty, which is also a 14-year high, underlining strong transaction volumes and improving property values.

Registrations increased by 6% on-year, while stamp duty revenue rose by 11% on-year, the report said, adding that the numbers include both new sales and re-sales across residential and commercial properties.

In December 2025, registrations continued to skew toward higher price brackets.

Homes priced above ₹5 crore accounted for 7% of registrations, up from 6% a year earlier, while properties priced between ₹2 crore and ₹5 crore remained stable at 19%, and those in the ₹1-2 crore segment rose from 30% in 2024 to 32% in 2025 and those priced below ₹1 crore segment saw its share decline from 44% to 42%, as affordability challenges weighed on buyer sentiment.

Units up to 1,000 square feet accounted for 82% of registrations and homes sized between 500 and 1,000 sq. ft. were the most preferred at 46% and units between 1,000 and 2,000 sq ft edged up to 15%, while apartments above 2,000 sq ft held steady at 3%.

The Western and Central suburbs dominated activity, accounting for 86% of December registrations, up from 84% a year earlier. Western suburbs led with a 57% share, followed by Central suburbs at 29%. In contrast, South Mumbai's share went down from 8% to 7%.

Market momentum remained strong through the year with December alone seeing as many as 14,447 units being registered, contributing ₹1,263 crore in stamp duty revenue.

Of this residential properties accounted for 80% of registrations, translating into a 16% on-year rise in registrations and an 11% rise in stamp duty collections.

EXPRESS READ

Bharat Coking Coal to launch IPO on January 9

NEW DELHI: Bharat Coking Coal Ltd (BCCL) filed red herring prospectus with the Registrar of Companies to launch its IPO on January 9. The BCCL is the subsidiary of Coal India Ltd and is the first mainboard offer in 2026. The IPO consists of entirely offer-for-sale of 46.57 crore equity shares by Coal India. "The objects are to carry out the offer-for-sale; and achieve the benefits of listing the equity shares on the stock exchanges," said the BCCL

Banks see sharp rise in deposit, credit in Q3FY26

BENN KOCHVEEDAN @ Mumbai

DRIVEN by high festive demand and GST rate cut-induced shopping spree, both public and private sector banks have turned the low-credit-growth-lower deposit growth tides in the third quarter clocking high to mid double digits growth in advances and deposit accretion.

A dozen banks have reported their business updates for the December quarter over the weekend, recording double-digit growth in their loan and deposit books compared to the same period a year ago.

Bank of Baroda said its domestic business increased 3.11% sequentially and 9.09% annually to ₹27.65 lakh crore. On the liabilities side, global deposits grew 2.68% on-quarter and 8.54% on-year to ₹16.60 lakh crore.

Punjab National Bank reported a 10.15% rise in domestic advances to ₹11.68 lakh crore in Q3, Bank of India said its loans grew at a much faster rate of 15.07% to ₹6.29 lakh crore, while the mid-sized state-run lender UCO Bank said its advances grew 16.3% to ₹2.15 lakh crore.

The Chennai-based Indian Bank said its advances grew 14.5% to ₹6.4 lakh crore in the reporting quarter its Punjab-based peer Punjab & Sindh Bank said its advances grew 15.2% to ₹0.9 lakh crore.

Privatisation-bound IDBI Bank said its net advances increased 15% from ₹2.07 lakh crore in the previous quarter to ₹2.39 lakh crore in the Q3FY26 and total business expanded to ₹5.47 lakh crore, reflecting a robust 12% on-year increase from ₹4.89 lakh crore in Q3FY25.

Tamil Nadu-based Karur Vysya bank said its advances grew 17.1% to ₹1 lakh crore, Kerala-based South Indian Bank reported an 11.3% rise in advances to ₹96,765 crore.

Ramaswamy Subramanian Joins Dvara KGFS as Dy CEO

Dvara Kshetriya Gramin Financial Services (Dvara KGFS), a leading NBFC, has announced the appointment of Ramaswamy Subramanian as Deputy CEO. He brings over in 30 years of cross-functional and cross-product experience in the BFSI and Consumer Loyalty sectors. He has handled diverse responsibilities such as Product, Digital, Sales & Distribution, Marketing, Operations, Process Reengineering, Technology, and Business Solutions. Before this, he headed product portfolios at Karnataka Bank and Suryoday Small Finance Bank. His previous work experience also includes stints in HDFC Bank, Global Trust Bank, Reliance Mutual Fund, Reliance Capital, IndiaFirst Life Insurance, and AIMIA.

Kerala Vision announced pan-India expansion with foray into West Bengal

Kerala Communicators Cable Limited (KCCL), India's leading Multi-System Operator (MSO) with a dominant 70% market share in Kerala, officially announced its strategic entry into West Bengal. In a major local collaboration, KCCL tied up with Balaji Universal, a Category an ISP with a robust infrastructure across West Bengal and parts of Northeast India, to facilitate a seamless rollout of services. The launch drew prominent industry leaders, including Praveen Mohan, President of the Cable Operators Association (COA), and the senior leadership of KCCL and Kerala Vision Broadband Limited (KVBL), comprising Sureshkumar P P, MD, Rajan K V, Executive Director, Sureshkumar C, Executive Director, and Padmakumar N, Chief Operating Officer.

Business & Beyond

PGIM India Mutual Fund unveils the third edition of retirement readiness report

PGIM India Mutual Fund today released its third edition of Retirement Readiness Research Report 2025, a study that holds a mirror to the evolving hopes, anxieties, and ambitions of Indian households. It also uncovers a striking shift in priorities. Family security and health emergencies, once dominant, have slipped down the list. In their place, aspirations such as lifestyle upgrades, starting a business, and personal fulfilment are rising rapidly. Is this because family and health have become "hygiene factors" in a more affluent India? Indians are beginning to give themselves permission to dream beyond mere survival, envisioning a retirement that reflects personal aspirations rather than just financial security? While the answer is still unfolding, the trend is unmistakable: Indians are moving from security-first thinking to aspiration-driven planning.

THINK Gas applauds PNGRB's unified tariff reform

THINK Gas, India's leading City Gas Distribution (CGD) company, welcomes the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board's revised unified tariff (UFT) framework, calling it a timely and consumer-centric reform. Effective January 1, the new framework is expected to reduce pipeline transportation costs for CNG and PNG in regions connected to the National Gas Grid, making natural gas more affordable for households and commuters. Under the revised tariff, THINK Gas customers in MP, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, UP, Bihar, and Karnataka are expected to benefit from CNG price reduc-tions of up to ₹2.50/kg and Domestic PNG reductions of up to ₹5/SCM.

Hettich strengthens experiential mark in Chennai

Reinforcing its commitment to immersive brand experiences, Hettich, one of the world's leading manufacturers of furniture fittings, has significantly expanded its experiential presence in Chennai with the inauguration of its upgraded Experience Centre and the launch of the city's first Hettich Exclusive (HeX) Store. Together, these two experiential touchpoints mark a strategic step in bringing Hettich's magical interior experiences closer to customers and industry professionals in the region. The newly upgraded Hettich Experience Centre in Chennai has been redesigned to deliver a standardised, immersive journey.

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THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

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(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
HEAD OFFICE BRANCH			
01	Sri. Saleem Jawad	Demand Notice Dated : 09.09.2025 Possession Notice Dated : 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 44,33,163/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property & Measurement :- **Old No. 09,New No. 19/5-2, Jayamahal Extension, 1st Main, BBMP Ward No. 92 of Jayamahal, PID No. 92-16-19/5-2, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **AB Line 33 feet, BC Line 42 feet, CA line : 24 feet, 6 inches as per annexed plan, The total area of the site is 404 Sq. feet** **East by :** 1st Main Road, **West by** : Beafort compound, **North by :** Beafort compound, **South by** : Private Property.
02	Sri. Vishwanathan. B & Shobha	Demand Notice Dated : 18.09.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 1,27,606/- as on : 29.12.202	Property &Measurement:- **MunicipalNo.129,10thMainRoad,MariyappanaPalya,K.P.Agrahara, BBMP Ward No.29, NewWardNo.120Cottonpet,PIDNo.29-33-129, Bengaluru-23.** Measuring: **East to West :15feet & North to South : 53½ Feet** **East by:**OthersProperty, **West by:** OthersProperty, **North by** : HousebelongstoRamu, **South by:** GramatanaRoad.
03	Smt. Nalini	Demand Notice Dated : 09.10.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 7,27,043/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property & Measurement :- **:- No.156/5, 4th Cross, Devaraj urs Nagar, BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padarayanapura,PIDNo.43-31-156/5,Bengaluru.** Measuring: **EasttoWest:20feet&NorthtoSouth:25Feet** **Eastby:**SiteNo.155,**Westby:**SiteNo.157, **Northby**:4thCrossRoad, **South by:** SiteNo.147.
MAHALAKSHMIPURA BRANCH			
04	Sri. Jaganathan. D	Demand Notice Dated : 09.10.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding: Rs. 44,00,482/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property & Measurement:- **NewMunicipalNo.121/148(SouthPortion),OldBDANo.121,9thMainRoad, PrakashNagar,Rajajinagar3rdStage,BBMPWardNo.23&NewWardNo.98ofPrakashNagar,PIDNo.23-24-148,Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 40.6 feet & North to South : 15 feet** **East by :** PropertyNo160,**West by :** Road,**North by :** SouthernPortionofBDASiteNo.121MunicipalNo. 121/148,belongstoD.Jayaraman, **Southby :** PropertyNo120.
R.T. NAGAR BRANCH			
05	Sri. A. George Francis	Demand Notice Dated : 29.08.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding : Rs. 24,15,365/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property & Measurement: **Old No. 30/B, New No. 10, Kenchappa Road, Civil Station, PID No. 91-4-10, BMP Ward No. 91, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 41 feet & North to South : 23 Feet** **East by :** 5 feet Common Lane, **West by :** H I Abdul Malik Khan's and H.I Abdul Wahb Khan's property, **North by :** H.I. Abdul Wahab Khan's House, **South by** : Zahira Khatoon's House.
ELECTRONIC CITY BRANCH			
06	Smt. Kasthuri. N	Demand Notice Dated : 17.09.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding : Rs. 49,38,854/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property & Measurement :- **New No. 239, Old No. 02, Situated at 2nd Main Road, Sheshadripuram, PresentlycomingundertheJurisdictionof BBMP Ward No.27 & new WardNo.94 of Gandhinagar, PID No.27-67-239, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 50 feet & North to South : 30 feet** **East by :** Property No. 07, **West by** : Road, **Northby**:PropertyNo.01, **Southby** : PropertyNo.03.
07	Smt. Hemalatha.s	Demand Notice Dated : 17.09.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 29.12.2025 Balance outstanding : Rs. 22,62,610/- as on : 29.12.2025	Property&Measurement:-**NewNo.1032,OldNo.67 Sree DharmarayaswamyTempleRoad,BBMP Ward No.47of Dharmarayaswamy Temple, PID No.47-5-1032, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **EasttoWest:14feet&NorthtoSouth:19.4feet** **East by :** Corporation Lane, **West by** : Property belongs to S. Ranganath, **Northby**:HousebelongstoRajamaneNeelappa, **Southby** :Corporationlane..

Date: 03.01.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
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e-tender Notification – K.W. 4
Short Term Tender notification No: 27/2025-26 Dt. 31.12.2025

Tender is invited through e-Procurement for works in the limits of Kolar Taluk, Kolar District Public Works Department from the PWD Registered Contractors under **H/A: 4059-Court Building** Estimate cost : 500.00 Lakhs EMD Amount: mentioned in KPP Portal, Period for completion of work: 4 months. Contractors may download the tender documents KW- 4 from Karnataka State Procurement portal **(viz., htpp:/ /kppp.karnataka.gov.in).** Filled in tenders shall be uploaded on or before **16.00 hours. on 16.01.2026** through Karnataka State Procurement portal. Tenders received will be opened after **16.30 hours on 17.01.2026 in KPP portal.** Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification please contact KPP portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

Note: Any changes in this Notification will be published in KPP portal only.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Kolar
DIPR/KOLAR/RO:426/KSMCA/2025-26

COMMAND AREA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CAUVERY BASIN PROJECTS MYSORE
Office of the Executive Engineer, CADA No. 1 Division, CBP Tumkur
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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION: 08/2025-26 Dated:30-12-2025 (CALL-2) (K/W-4) (Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

The Executive Engineer, CADA NO-1 Division Tumkur has invited the Tender through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal for **AYACUT ROAD** work in Gubbi Taluk of Tumkur District. The amount put to tender for work is **Rs.397.84 lakhs** Consists of 01 work. The details of the capacity to be maintain or already maintained should be furnished in **Standard bid document (K/W-4 Documents)** as uploaded in Karnataka Public Procurement Portal. For this work bidding start from **Date:31-12-2025 and closing Date:07-01-2026 at 4.00 PM.** Uploaded tenders of Technical bid will be opened on **Date: 08-01-2026 at 5.00 PM** onward's and Financial Bid will be opened after the approval of Technical bid. The Details of Notification can be read Carefully at **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** website. In case the Opening date happens to be a holiday then the next day will be proceeded. For any additional information contact at office time in the below mentioned office address.

Sd/- Exective Engineer
CADA-CBP No.1 Division.
Tumkur
DIPR/TUM/RO-204/24-25/Oysters

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Harshitha. P.M.** D/o. Manjunath P.B and now she lost/misplaced the original documents i.e., 1) Possession Certificate (PC), 2) (Manjurathi Patra) Allottment Letter Sl.No.17274, dated 14.07.2003, 3) Original MUDA Katha, issued by MUDA in respect of my Site 2159, PID No:1522004310320251 4, Property No.802/2159, in favour of her father P.B.MANJUNATH, situated at Devanuru Layout 3rd Stage, N.R.Mohalla, Mysore City, Siddalingapura Grama Panchayath, Village: Kesare, and the same is not traceable, lodged the online police complaint vide Acknowledgement No.1981851/2025, dated:29-12-2025. Any person/s find the said original documents pertaining to the said site No.2159, shall return the same to the undersigned or to my clients within 7 days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Sd/- SHIVAPRAKASH K N B.A., LL.B. Advocate,
SRS LAW ASSOCIATES,
No.548, 7th Main Road, Vijayanagar,
Bangalore – 560 040. Mobile: 9341824536,
Place : Bangalore **Date :** 02-01-2026

KERALA IRRIGATION INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.
Thiruvananthapuram,

NOTICE INVITING RFP

Kerala Irrigation Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd, a PSU under Govt. of Kerala invites Request for Proposal for Developing Irrigation Tourism & Irrigation Museum Project in the Government Owned Vacant Land at Cheruthoni, Idukki District, through PPP from Local Self-Government Organisations / Institutions or Other Government Organisations / Institutions or Private Organisations / Institutions or Individuals or Societies. For details visit KIIDC website: kiidc.kerala.gov.in.

Chief Executive Officer

BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORTION
Office of the Executive Engineer Gandhinagar Division, 2nd Floor, BBMP Complex Dhanavantri road, Bangalore-560009

No: EE/GNR/TEND/E-PROC/009/2025-26 **Date:03-01-2026**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the undersigned for the work mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bengaluru Central City Corporation or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations.

The Tender Document can be downloaded from the GOK e-Procurement Website **(http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** on payment of prescribed fee noted against each item of work (non refundable) in the form of e-Payment through e-Procurement Platform. The Tenderer should accompany a copy of the Registration Certificate valid upto the year of 2024 and shall be submitted through e-Procurement Portal.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work/DPR Cost (in Lakhs)/EMD in Rupees
1	Consultancy services for preparation of DPR for the work for Improvements to traffic junctions along Arterial and Sub Arterial roads in Ward NO : 123, Gandhinagar Division to reduce congestion improve air Flow and Greenery(call-2). DPR Cost : **Rs.13.20 Lakhs,** EMD **Rs.33,000/-**, Stipulated Period of Completion : **28 Days.**

Calendar of events: (1) Pre Bid meeting will be held at the office of the Executive Engineer, Gandhinagar Division BBMP Commercial Complex 2nd Floor Behind Upperpete Police Station Dhanavantri Road Bengaluru-560009 on **14.01.2026 at 16.00 hrs.(2)** The last date for submission of completed documents is **16.01.2026 before 4.30 PM hrs. (3)** Date of opening of Technical proposal is after **19.01.2026 12.30 PM** hrs onwards **(4)** Date of opening of Financial proposal will be after the approval of technical proposal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Gandhinagar Division, BCCC

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer,
KNNL, GRBCC Division-4, Chikodi. Phone: 08338-272485,
E-mail: ee_knnlgrbc4ckd@rediffmail.com

No: KNNL/GRBCC-4/Tender/2025-26/14 Date: 01-01-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)

Percentage Rate Tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the **Managing Director, KNNL, Bengaluru** for the work mentioned below. Consisting of **3 Works of H/A 4701.** The blank tender document can be downloaded from KPP Portal of Government of Karnataka. **(https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in) from 01-01-2026.** Indent No: **Two Cover System - General** - Indent No: **3753 & 3754, Category - II(A) :** Indent No. **3378,** Approximated Amount Put to Tender: **Rs. 42.35 Lakhs to 55.02 Lakhs,** EMD Amount: **Rs. 42,500/- to 1,10,500/-,** Last Date and Time for Tender Quarries / Clarifications: **12-01-2026 upto 17.00 Hours.** Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **14-01-2026 upto 16.00 Hours,** Date of Opening of Tenders (Two Cover System): Technical Bid - **16-01-2026 at 16.30 Hours.** Financial Bid - **17-01-2026 at 16.30 Hours.** Further information can be had from the undersigned from the following Phone: **08338-272485** and from KPP Portal **(https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** during office hours. The competent authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons.

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Adverto/2025-26

Sd/- Executive Engineer
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MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 05.02.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 05.02.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **04.02.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Increment al Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr.Varun Kumar Madhura,** S/o Mr. Venkatdri Naidu, **(2) Mrs. Divya Varun ,** W/o Mr. Varun Kumar Madhura, **Both are addresses at :** No.1068, 4th H Block, Vrushabhavathi Nagar, Hosahalli, Near Kabbalamma Temple, Banashankari 6th Stgae , Bengaluru-560062 **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) PSTL A/c No. 0557001800041701 (2) PSTL A/c No. 0557001800039201**	**Total Rs.36,76,431.29 [Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Four Hundred Thirty One and Paise Twenty Nine Only] [(1) Rs. 15,11,126.11 27.12.2025 (2) Rs. 21,65,305.18 06.12.2025]**	**22.09.2023 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the Residential Property bearing **BDA Site No.1068,** measuring East to West 9.00 meters and North to South 6.00 meters admeasuring 54.00 Sq. meters (581.00 Sq.ft) with building Constructed thereon with built up area measuring 1141.00 Sq.ft (Still+GF+FF+SF),Situated at Banashankari 6th Stage , 4th 'H' Block , Vrushabavathi Nagar Layout, Bangalore-560062 belonging to **Mr.Varun Kumar Madhura. Boundaries of property: East by** : Site No. 1079, **West by** : Road, **North by:** Site No.1067, **South by:** Site No.1069. **Property Location: 12.880611,77.533166**	**Rs. 59,59,000.00 (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 5,95,900.00 (Rupees Five Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Nine Hundred Only)**	**10.15 AM to 10.30 AM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru –Malleshwaram A/c No: 0553500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000055**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8)Sub Rule (1) of Rule (9) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Regulatory and others".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **05.02.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **04.02.2026**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, E-mail : **disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 03.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

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E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 22.01.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical/Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on 22.01.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **21.01.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Increment al Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr.Nagaraju S.B,** S/o Basappa, **(2) Mrs.Manjula T.V,** W/o Nagaraju S.B. **Both are addressed at :** No.673, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, 1st A, B, C Main Road, West of Chord Road, Basaveshwarnagar, Bengaluru-560079. **Loan A/c Nos: (1) TL A/c No. 1047001601594001 (2) TL A/c No. 1047001601601301**	**Total Rs.25,50,562.19 [Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Two and Paise Nineteen Only [(1) Rs. 19,83,023.56 21.12.2025 (2) Rs. 5,67,538.63 30.12.2025]**	**29.12.2023 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the BDA Site bearing **No.276 ,** measuring 640 Sq Ft (East to West-32.00 Feet and North to South -20.00 feet) , with Residential Building Constructed thereon, in the Layout formed by the Bengaluru Development Authority situated at Nagarbhavi 2nd Stage, 3rd Block , BBMP Wrd No.73,Bangalore-560079 belonging to **Mr.Nagaraju S B. Boundaries of property: East by :** Site No. 304, **West by :** Road, **North by:** Site No.275, **South by:** Site No.277. **Property Location: 12.978288.77.513195**	**Rs. 1,03,58,000/- (Rupees One Crore Three Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 10,35,800/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Only)**	**11.15 AM to 11.30 AM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Basaveshwarnagar A/c No: 1043500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000104**
2	**I) (1) Mr. Venkatesh A K,** S/o Mr. A V Krishnama Raju, **R/at :** No.9, 02 Prabhu Building, 15th Cross, 6th Temple Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003, **(2) Mr. Raghu A K,** S/o Mr. A V Krishnama Raju, **R/at :** No. 2, 8th Main, "Sri Sai Balaji Layout", IOB Bank Lane, Kodigehalli Main Road, Balaji Layout, Bengaluru-560092. . **II) (1) M/s Sai Infratech,** a Partnership Firm represented by its Partners **a) Mr. Raghu AK, b) Mrs. Parimala T, (2) Mr. Raghu A K,** S/o Mr. A V Krishnama Raju, **(3) Mrs. Parimala T,** W/o Mr. Venkatesh AK, **All are addressed at :** No. 28th Main, IOB Bank Lane, Kodigehalli Main Road, Balaji Layout, Bengaluru-560092. **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) PSOD A/c No. 9087000600003901 (2) PSOD A/c No. 9087000600004201**	**Total Rs. 1,93,19,076.44 (Rupees One Crore Ninety Three Lakh Nineteen Thousand Seventy Six and Paisa Forty Four only) [(1) Rs. 58,33,028.20 01.10.2024 + (2) Rs. 1,34,86,048.24 01.10.2024]**	**30.05.2024 Physical**	All that part and parcel of the **3 BHK Residential Flat bearing No. 12 (No.112 as per Board**) in the ground floor of the Apartment known as **"MULTI DIAMOND"** constructed on converted land bearing **Sy. No. 30/8A & 30/8B, (Old Sy. No. 30/8), BBMP Khatha No. 1519/30/8A & 8B,** having super built up area of **1830 sq feet** and with **UDS Share of 891 sq feet** over the land measuring 36 guntas along with one covered car parking slot in the stilt floor, situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru-560092 belonging to **Mr. A K Raghu. Boundaries of Property as per deed/actual: East By:** Property belonging to K Ravindra Kumar Chowdary, **West by:** Property belonging to K M Narayanapa, **North by:** Remaining portion of the same property measuring 11 guntas retained by members of vendors, **South by:** 40 access left in the property belonging to the 1 member of the vendors and other private properties. **Boundaries of Flat: East by :** Open to Sky, **West by :** Door Entrance, **North by :** Lift, South by : Open to Sky. **Property Location: Latitude & Longitude:13.052428,77.579203**	**Rs. 83,00,000/- (Rupees Eighty Three Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 8,30,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Thirty Thousand Only)**	**10..45 AM to 11.00 AM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru - Sadashivanagar A/c No: 9083500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000908**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's / Legal Heirs attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8 / Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://www.karnatakabank.com under the head "Auction Notices".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal https://www.auctionbazaar.com/ on **22.01.2026 from at the time mentioned above respectively** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **https://www.auctionbazaar.com/** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **21.01.2026**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, **Contact No. : 8885035382,** E-mail : **disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 03.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Indian Overseas Bank

Koramangala Branch, No.12, MPD Tower, Industrial Main Road, Koramangala, 5th Block Bengaluru- 560095, Karnataka/ Email ID: iob1485@iob.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002).

whereas, the Authorized Officer of Indian Overseas Bank has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Web Portal **https://baanknet.in**

Name & address of the Borrowers: M/s S&G Metal Building Solutions (India) Private Limited Represented by its managing Director No:74/2A, KR Garden, 8Th Block, Opposite NDDP, Koramangala, Bangalore 560095. **Factory Address:-** 24, Sai Chaitanya Enclave Road, Opposite East Point College, Bidarahalli, Bangalore-560049, **2. Mrs. Geetha V** Housing Loan, **3. Mr. Sudhakar R** Housing Loan.
Director/Guarantor: 4. Mr. Sudhakar R (Director) No.696, Geethasudha Nilaya, 2ND A Main Road, 8th Block, Koramangala,Bangalore-560095 **also at #** No.07, 1B Street, 8th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560095 **also at #** 724, 2nd B main cross, 8th Block, Koramangala Layout, Laxmi temple Road, Koramangala, Bangalore south, Bangalore-560095 **(Personal guarantor and Mortgagor), Mrs. Geetha V (Director)** No.696, Geethasudha Nilaya, 2ND A Main Road, 8th Block, Koramangala,Bangalore-560095 **Also at** No.07, 1B Street, 8th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560095. **Also at** # 724, 2nd B main cross, 8th Block, Koramangala Layout, Laxmi temple Road, Koramangala, Bangalore south, Bangalore-560095

Date of NPA: 25.06.2023 **Date of Demand notice: 27.06.2023**
Dues claimed in Demand Notice: Rs. 9,40,42,030/- (Rupees. Nine Crore Forty Lakh Forty-Two Thousand and Thirty only) **with further interest & costs.**
Date of Possession Notice: 04.09.2023
Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.9,76,34,116/-(Rupees Nine Crore Seventy-Six Lakh Thirty four Thousand One Hundred Sixteen Only) **as on 04.09.2023** with further interest & costs less repayments, if any, made after issuance of demand notice. Payments made by you after the issuance of Demand Notice dt **27.06.2023- Rs 4,07,133/-** (Rs Four Lakh Seven Thousand One Hundred and Thirty-Three Only) **& amount of Rs.2,96,45,000/- payment received towards sale of "One scheduled property" mortgaged with us.**
Outstanding dues as on 03.01.2026 is Rs. 10,03,78,793/- (Rupees Ten Crore three lacs seventy eight thousand seven hundred and ninety three only) along with further interest at contractual rates and rests, besides costs / charges incurred till the date of repayment in full
*Local Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property : Owner Name : Mr. Sri Sudhakar R Equitable Mortgage followed by Registered memorandum of all that piece and parcel of the residential Property bearing site no. 21, BBMP PID No. 67-11-21,Old Ward No.67,New Ward No.151 of Koramangala Village,Koramangala-560095, Bangalore measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 55 feet, totally measuring 3300 sq. ft. consisting of a non- residential building measuring GF-2400 sq. ft. in the name of Sri Sudhakar R. The property is bounded as follows: East by: Property of Sri Krishna Munireddy & Sri Gurumurthy Reddy, West by: Road, North by: Property of Sri. Ramaswamyreddy, South by: Property of Sri Jayaramareddy.
Note: Above property is the common security for housing loan account in the joint name of both the directors.

The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is:

Sr. No.	Property Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amt
1	Property (as detailed above)	Rs.6,17,00,000/- plus applicable TDS 1% at present	Rs 61,70,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-

Date & Time of Auction: 21.01.2026, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM
Auto extension time: 10 minutes
Known Encumbrance if any: NIL
Inspection Date & Time: during office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 07.01.2026 to 20.01.2026.
The submission of online application for bid with EMD shall start from: 08.01.2026.
***Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues.**
For terms and conditions please visit: **https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx**
https://www.publishtenders.gov.in, https://baanknet.in/eauction-psb/bidder-registration (web portal of e-auction of Service provider)

Date: 03.01.2026 Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Indian Overseas Bank**

Wawrinka starts farewell season with thrilling win

Stan Wawrinka launched the final season of his career with a marathon 5-7, 7-6 (7/5), 7-6 (5) win to give Switzerland an unassailable 2-0 lead over France at the United Cup on Saturday. The 40-year-old held off Arthur Rinderknech to join team-mate Belinda Bencic as a winner after she began the tie 6-2, 6-4 over Leolia Jeanjean.

Gill returns; Shreyas, Siraj also included

Ruturaj, Varma make way as India fortify pace attack in 15-member squad for NZ ODI series; Pant retains spot

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

DAYS after two of India's one-day stars and former captains — Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma — scored hundreds during Vijay Hazare Trophy matches, the two have been named in a 15-member squad for the three-match series against New Zealand.

Though Sharma and Kohli had had some prolific one-day matches — the only format they play currently — they returned to the domestic set-up that the BCCI has made a mandatory practice for all cricketers. As expected, Shubman Gill, who was nursing a neck injury during the South Africa ODI series, is back as captain. If the two senior players and the captain were automatic choices, Mohammed Siraj, who was dropped for the last ODI series, is making a welcome return and will bolster the pace attack. He will join Arshdeep Singh, Prasidh Krishna and Harshit Rana in the team.

Former India opener and commentator Aakash Chopra saw merit in Siraj's inclusion and welcomed his inclusion.

He said that this will also lend some pace to the team. "Pace-heavy squad keeping in mind the dew," he said. "And it's good to see that Siraj is back. His prolonged exclusion wasn't making sense."

The bigger talking point in the lead-up to the selection was of Shreyas Iyer, who was out with a spleen laceration with internal bleeding after having a nasty landing in Australia. Having spent the last few days in the BCCI Centre of Excellence, Iyer is back as vice-captain but will be subject to fitness clearance. Gills and Iyer's inclusions led to Ruturaj Gaikwad and Tilak Varma's exclusions. Aakash felt it was good to see Iyer back. "Of course, his participation is subject to fitness clearance. But good to see him back," he said. "Unfortunately, Ruturaj misses out who did score a century batting off-position."

INDIA ODI SQUAD FOR NZ SERIES

Shubman Gill (C), Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, KL Rahul (WK), Shreyas Iyer (VC), Washington Sundar, Ravindra Jadeja, Mohd Siraj, Harshit Rana, Prasidh Krishna, Kuldeep Yadav, Rishabh Pant (WK), Nitish Kumar Reddy, Arshdeep Singh, Yashasvi Jaiswal.

The Ajit Agarkar-led selection committee did not pick star all-rounder Hardik Pandya because of workload management. He was not cleared by the CoE to bowl 10 overs, and with the T20 World Cup looming, this seemed precautionary. "Hardik Pandya has not been cleared by the BCCI COE to bowl 10 overs in a match, and considering the ICC Men's T20 World Cup to follow, his workload is being managed," said the BCCI statement.

If their inclusions were expected, Rishabh Pant retaining his place seemed interesting. The wicketkeeper-batter has played only one match under head coach Gautam Gambhir and since then has not been the preferred choice.

He had been there in the squad — whether it was in the Champions Trophy or during the recent ODI series against South Africa — but did not get a game. Over the last few days, thanks to his poor run of form in VHT, it seemed like Pant will miss out to in-form Ishan Kishan or Dhruv Jurel who has scored a century and three fifties in VH Trophy this season.

The selection committee has retained Pant in the squad, but KL Rahul is expected to be the first-choice keeper for India. The hosts would be hoping for a convincing win in the series that begins on January 11 in Baroda. The two other matches will be played in Rajkot and Indore on January 14 and 18.

ATHLETICS

AFI announces Asiad qualification criteria

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE Athletics Federation of India (AFI) on Saturday has released the selection criterias for various disciplines for September's Asian Games. With a goal to improve overall medal tally in track and field in Aichi - Nagoya, Japan, the athletes have ample time to peak at the right times and earn their spots in the Indian contingent. "The AFI will select at least two eligible athletes in each of the events," AFI spokesperson Adille Sumariwalla stated. "The AFI selection panel will take a final call on the strength of the Indian athletics contingent for the Asian Games."

The first major track and field event is scheduled in May with the National Senior Athletics Federation Competition in Bhubaneswar. The same city will host the Senior Inter state meet from July 8 to 12. To qualify in the men's 100m sprints, the current national record — under Animesh Kujur's name of 10.18s — needs to be broken as it is set at 10.16s. For women's 100m it is set at 11.54s. One of the disciplines that the federation may prioritise is the 400m. For that, a standard time of 45.97s for men's and 53.72s for women's is set.

In the 2022 Asian Games in Hangzhou, India finished with 29 medals, placing themselves in the top five amongst their Asian rivals. "It is also mandatory for all athletes to compete in state meets and two regional competitions to be eligible for the main track and field competitions," Sumariwalla added. "Athletes who skip state meets without prior permission will not be eligible for main track and field events." Qualification times for both 21km race walk, marathon walk and the 4x100 mixed relay will be announced later.

Neeraj Chopra, meanwhile, could be exempted from the rule just like previous seasons, as he may compete in big events like the Diamond League this year.

Action from the match between Accord Tamil Nadu Dragons and Hyderabad Toofans in the men's Hockey India League in Chennai, on Saturday | ASHWIN PRASATH

HIL: Princedeep, the hero as Dragons win

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

HOSTS Accord Tamil Nadu Dragons opened their Hockey India League campaign in dramatic fashion, edging out Hyderabad Toofans 4-2 in a shootout after a 3-3 draw at the Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium here on Saturday.

Goalkeeper Princedeep Singh emerged as the hero of the night, as he saved the decisive penalty off Talwinder Singh to guide the team home.

In the shootout, Nathan Ephraums converted confidently before Blake Govers' audacious 360-degree effort left the Hyderabad goalkeeper Jean-Paul Danneberg with no chance. Uttam Singh and Mohammed Raheel also found the target. For Hyderabad, Arshdeep Singh opened by getting a penalty stroke which Zachary Wallace converted without any fuss, before scoring his own for a brace. But attempts by Michel Struthoff and Talwinder Singh were kept out by Princedeep, who emerged as the hero on the night. Earlier, the Dragons made a blistering start, surging to a two-goal lead in the opening quarter and setting the tempo in front of a vocal home crowd.

Uttam Singh opened the scoring from a penalty corner, his low effort wrong-footing the goal-line defender following a save by the goalkeeper. Moments later, Thomas Sorsby of England produced a touch of class, collecting the ball just outside the circle, slicing in from the right and firing a sharp angled shot that took a decisive deflection off a Hyderabad defender towards goal. Hyderabad Toofans hit back through Amandeep Lakra, who scored twice from penalty corners to haul his side back into the contest. Lakra pulled one back with three minutes remaining in the first quarter before striking again early in the second, the two goals coming within the space of six minutes across quarters, to ensure the teams went into the half-time break locked at 2-2.

The home side regained the lead soon after the restart when local hero Karthi Selvam finished off a well-executed set-piece routine to put Tamil Nadu back in front.

Overlooked for ODIs, Padikkal slams ton again

ENS @ Chennai

AS he played a square cut shot towards point off Tripura's Abhijit Sarkar on a winter afternoon in Ahmedabad on Saturday, Karnataka opener Devdutt Padikkal ran to register his fourth ton in five matches in the Vijay Hazare Trophy on Saturday. This was his 13th century in 38 List A games, the fewest number of games one has taken to reach that century count.

Defending champions Karnataka remained unbeaten, comfortably seeing off Tripura by 80 runs at the Narendra Modi Stadium, the same day the ODI squad for the three-match New Zealand series was announced by the senior men's selection panel led by BCCI chief selector Ajit Agarkar. His tons so far have come out of different situations. One in a record-chase against Jharkhand, where Ishan Kishan's quickfire ton (125 off 39 balls) helped them set a mammoth target of 413. Padikkal upped the ante in this knock, slamming 147 off 118 striking at 124.57. In the next fixture against Kerala on a pitch that did not favour batters, the 25-year-old took the patient route as he (124 off 137 balls) and Karun Nair (130 off 130 balls) guided home chasing 285. Against Tripura too, he remained patient when he saw both skipper Mayank Agarwal and Karun Nair walk back to the pavilion to score an important century. The 25-year-old sits top amongst batters in this tournament, with 514 runs in five games averaging 102.80 with four tons. His record in List A cricket is strong. He has scored 2585 runs in 38 innings. But Padikkal has still not earned his ODI debut yet, despite putting up these stupendous numbers.

It can be explained, with his position in the Karnataka team, that Padikkal is an out-and-out top-order batter. He burst on to the scene in the IPL in 2020 as a young left-handed opener for Royal Challengers Bengaluru, winning the Best Emerging Player award then. He has made his India debut in both Tests and T20Is, and has played in the top three, except when he played at number four in a Test match against England in Dharamshala in early 2024. Currently, India have the best of openers in the format, with Rohit Sharma, who is going strong in this format, scoring runs for fun. Shubman Gill's ascendency to ODI captaincy also means that the other opener's slot is sealed.

At No 3 is Virat Kohli, who does not look like stopping at 37, looking fitter than ever and only has this format to play. One spot that Padikkal may have had a sniff of is at number four, which belongs to Shreyas Iyer, who recently got injured.

SELECT SCORES

Group A: Karnataka 332/7 in 50 ovs (Devdutt Padikkal 108, Ravichandran Smaran 60, Abhinav Manohar 79 not out; Abhijit Sarkar 4/50) bt Tripura 252 in 49 ovs (Rajat Dey 66, Swapnil Singh 100; Vijaykumar Vyshak 3/54, Shreyas Gopal 3/33) by 80 runs. Rajasthan 225 in 46.5 ovs (Deepak Hooda 70, Manav Suthar 43; Gurjapneet Singh 2/44, Sonu Yadav 2/38, Varun Chakravarthy 4/25) bt Tamil Nadu 215 in 41.4 ovs (Athish SR 54, Narayan Jagadeesan 74; Ashok Sharma 5/58, Manav Suthar 3/44) by 10 runs. Jharkhand 311/7 in 50 ovs (Kumar Kushagra 143 not out, Anukul Roy 72; MD Nidheesh 4/46) lost to Kerala 313/2 in 42.3 ovs (Sanju Samson 101, Rohan Kunnummal 124). **Group B:** Hyderabad 286/9 in 50 ovs (Tilak Varma 109, Abirath Reddy 71; Jagjit Singh 3/43) bt Chandigarh 150 in 37.4 ovs (Sanyam Saini 46; Chinntla Rakshan Readdi 3/34); **Group D:** Services 178 in 42.5 ovs (Harshit Rana 4/47, Prince Yadav 3/28) lost to Delhi 182/2 in 19.4 ovs (Priyansh Arya 72 not out, Rishabh Pant 67 not out); Odisha 305/9 in 50 overs (Swastik Samal 101, Govinda Poddar 77; Anuj Thakral 3/68, Parth Vats 3/60) lost to Haryana 309/6 in 48.4 ovs (Parth Vats 157 not out, Anuj Thakral 59 not out) Gujarat 318/9 in 50 ovs (Axar Patel 130, Vishal Jayswal 70; Nitish Kumar Reddy 2/65, Satyanarayana Raju 4/53) bt Andhra 311/7 in 50 ovs (CR Gnaneshwar 102, Axar Patel 2/27, Ravi Bishnoi 3/64).

Devdutt Padikkal

VILLA BOUNCE BACK

Aston Villa beat struggling Nottingham Forest 3-1 at their home fortress on Saturday to ease the pain of their midweek mauling by Arsenal, leapfrogging Manchester City into second place in the Premier League. John McGinn scored a double while Ollie Watkins was the other scorer for Villa | AFP

PWL auction: Delhi sign Sujeet for big money

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

INDIA'S U23 world champion Sujeet Kalkal emerged as the standout name in the Category A round of the Pro Wrestling League (PWL) 2026 players auction, after being secured by Delhi Dangal Warriors for Rs 52 lakh.

Delhi Dangal Warriors were among the most active teams in this round, further adding Iran's Hadi Vafaeipour in the men's 86 kg category for Rs 26 lakh, along with Mexico's Karla Acosta in the women's 57 kg division. Haryana Thunders, meanwhile, made a major statement in women's wrestling by acquiring Olympic medalist Iryna Koliadenko for Rs 44 lakhs in the women's 62 kg category, in addition to Azerbaijan's Ashirov Ashraf in men's 86 kg. Maharashtra Kesari focused on depth and balance, securing Asian Games medallist Deepak Punia in the men's 86 kg category and Manisha Bhanvala in women's 57 kg. Punjab Royals signed Dinesh Gulia (Rs 36 lakhs), Priya Malik (Rs 29 lakhs), and Roksana Zasina across multiple weight categories.

EXPRESS READ

SA20: Royals pip MI Cape Town by one run

PAARL: Lhuan-dre Pretorius hammered 98 not out as Paarl Royals extended MI Cape Town's winless streak by a narrow one-run victory in their SA20 encounter.His 65-ball knock with 10 fours and a six pushed the Royals to a daunting total of 181/3. In reply, MI Cape Town finished at 180/8.

Shooters Jonathan, Ajay bag nat'l titles

NEW DELHI; Army shooter Ajay Kumar clinched the men's 10m air pistol gold while Karnataka's Jonathan Gavin Antony made a cleansweep of the top-podium spots in the sub-youth, youth and junior categories to make it a golden treble in the national shooting championships here on Saturday. Kumar finished on top with a score of 241.1.

Vivaan & Naisha upset top seeds, enter final

VADODARA: Vivaan Dave and Naisha Rewaskar upset top seeds Aditya Das and Ankolika Chakraborty to reach the U-15 mixed doubles final in the WTT Youth Contender at the SAMA Indoor Sports Complex on Saturday. Vivaan and Naisha set up a summit clash against compatriots Reyansh Jalan and Tanishka Kalbhairav.

ISL kick-off dates to be revealed next week

CHENNAI: The start dates for the delayed 2025/26 season of the Indian Super League will be announced next week the All India Football Federation (AIFF) stated on Saturday. As recommended by the three-person Coordination committee, the AIFF will conduct the league, it stated.

SEEKING GOOD SEASON

Everyone's eyes will be on me, I'll have to work even harder: Minakshi

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

MINAKSHI HOODA is full of purpose at the moment. The Indian boxer, who made giant strides last year, is not resting on her laurels. "It's time to consolidate," she says, embracing fresh challenges in store in the new year. It's an opportunity for her to evolve further as there are some significant events including the Commonwealth Games and Asian Games in the calendar this year. "I have to work twice as hard," the 48kg boxer from Rurki village, Haryana, declares with conviction.

Her first challenge for the new season begins on Sunday as the national championships (both men and women), which is being conducted at the Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida, will get underway. Minakshi, who announced herself to the world last year by capturing the gold medal during the World Championship, will be plotting to defend her 48kg crown during the premier domestic competition.

"There are a lot of major competitions this year. Last year I got the medal but I have to be even more focussed in order to maintain my performance as everyone's eyes will be on me. They'll consider me as a target from now on, so I have to be on my toes," the boxer, who'll be representing All India Police, notes.

A smooth outing during the said nationals could hand her the much-needed momentum. Given that she has ambitions to shift to a higher weight category (51kg), she is mindful that she has to be in a position of strength before taking up that challenge. "And then we have the Asian Championships, the Commonwealth Games and the Asian Games too. I have to prepare for that too. For now, I'm focussed on my immediate target, the national championships. After nationals, let's see how it goes. We'll have a camp and then have an evaluation period. I'll have to give 51kg a try as 48kg is not part of both CWG & Asiad," she says.

"It will be tough. The competition will be greater if I compete in 51kg. We'll see how it goes. Right now, my focus is 48kg ahead of the nationals. Then we'll have to wait and see how it goes. But I have to move to 51kg later and make training plans accordingly."

The year 2025 was a significant one for the 24-year-old. It was a year that the boxer from Rurki village announced herself to the world by exhibiting her ring craft. It was a year that she captured the national crown before going on to capture the aforementioned world crown. That was followed by another gold in the World Boxing Cup in front of home fans at Greater Noida.

"This (2025) was the best-ever year for me in my boxing career so far. I became a world champ. First of all, I became a national champ and I beat a world champ then, it was quite challenging then. Even the trials before the World Championship were quite tough. In the World Championship, I was up against a rival from China in the opening bout and generally, boxers from China tend to be strong. In the final, I was up against a rival from Kazakhstan, who was a three-time world champ and an Olympic medallist. It was a tough bout (final) as I had fought against her just a few months before that. I was quite nervous. However, it was a good outcome," Minakshi, who enjoys watching cartoons and shopping during her free time, recalls.

Needless to say, that feat has been life-changing for her and her family with humble roots. Daughter of an autorickshaw driver, there was a time she could not even afford to buy her basic needs.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

31.8% of the Aravalli Hills area lies below 100 metres in height, making it vulnerable to loss of legal protection under existing classifications, according to a new study

The satellite audit by a people-led collective said the govt's assessment of the affected area at 0.19% does not reflect the geological reality of the range

ANCIENT RANGE, MODERN DILEMMA

RETHINKING PROTECTION OF THE ARAVALLIS

VISMAY BASU @ NEW DELHI

Extending roughly 670 km along a south-west to north-east axis, the Aravalli Range stretches from the Delhi Ridge through southern Haryana and eastern Rajasthan into northern Gujarat, tapering out near Ahmedabad. Traversing over 20 districts across four states, it intersects some of India's most densely populated, rapidly urbanising and environmentally fraught regions.

Though modest in elevation when set against younger orogenic systems, the Aravallis constitute a continuous and overlapping assemblage of landforms—ranging from prominent summits such as Guru Shikhar (1,722 metres) on the Mount Abu plateau, the highest point of the range, to extensive low hills, ridges, pediments, rocky outcrops and adjoining plains.

Recent administrative and judicial efforts to impose a narrow legal definition upon the Aravallis have revived debate not merely over juridical clarity, but over how ancient landscapes ought to be scientifically apprehended and institutionally governed. Any serious assessment must therefore be grounded in geological antiquity, long-standing human interaction, evolving legal treatment and demonstrable ecological function.

File picture of students' protest for the protection of the Aravalli Hills at Jawaharlal Nehru University, in Delhi | PTI

Geological history and comparative antiquity

The Aravalli Range ranks among the oldest surviving fold mountain systems on Earth, with an estimated age of 200–250 crore years, placing its genesis firmly within the Precambrian era. Its formation is associated with multiple tectonic episodes — most notably the Aravalli Orogeny (c. 200–180 crore years ago) and the Delhi Orogeny (c. 170–140 crore years ago)—involving collisions between ancient continental blocks within the proto-Indian craton. Over hundreds of crores of years, these once-towering mountains were subjected to relentless erosion and denudation, yielding the subdued and pockmarked relief visible today.

This deep antiquity is emphasised by the presence of the Bhilwara Gneissic Complex, among the oldest exposed continental crustal formations in the Indian subcontinent. By contrast, the Vindhyas consist largely of sedimentary deposits laid down between roughly 160 and 60 crore years ago; the Satpuras emerged primarily between 60 and 30 crore years ago; and the Himalayas remain geologically youthful, having risen only in the last 5–6 crore years following the India–Eurasia collision.

Historical and civilisational context

Archaeological evidence attests to sustained human habitation across the Aravalli landscape from the Palaeolithic period onwards, including stone tools recovered from forested hill zones such as Mangar Bani. During the Chalcolithic era, river systems draining the Aravallis underwrote cultures such as the Ahar–Banas tradition (c. 3000–1500 BCE), which exploited copper ores and participated in extensive exchange networks linking western and northern India.

In subsequent historical phases, the Aravalli uplands functioned as inland corridors connecting the Indo-Gangetic plains with western India. Their rugged terrain was strategically instrumental, as reflected in fortified complexes such as Kumbhalgarh. Across epochs, the range decisively shaped settlement patterns, mobility, trade routes and resource use, embedding itself in the civilisational geography of the subcontinent.

Hydrological and climatic role

The Aravalli Range functions as a critical hydrological reservoir and climatic moderator for north-western India. Composed largely of fractured quartzites and schists, its ridges and hill systems facilitate deep rainwater percolation, rendering the range a major groundwater-recharge zone identified by the Central Ground Water Board.

Historically, the range also mitigated desertification by disrupting wind regimes and constraining the eastward drift of sand and dust from the Thar Desert. Scientific assessments suggest that the Aravallis once enhanced orographic uplift and rainfall persistence; cumulative erosion, deforestation and extractive activity have progressively attenuated this function.

Evolution of legal and administrative understanding

For much of the colonial and early post-Independence period, the Aravallis existed in governance primarily as a geological abstraction rather than a legally circumscribed entity. While British-era surveys clearly delineated the range, post-Independence statutes—most notably the Indian Forest Act, 1927—applied only to formally notified forests, leaving scrublands, rocky ridges, pediments and commons beyond statutory protection.

The 1992 Aravalli Notification marked the first concerted attempt to regulate environmentally pernicious activities, particularly mining and construction. However, it conspicuously avoided defining what constituted an "Aravalli hill" or the "range" itself. This lacuna became the fulcrum of litigation from the mid-1990s onwards, as state authorities and private actors leaned on revenue records to misclassify mined areas as "plains".

In M C Mehta versus Union of India in 2002, the Supreme Court prioritised ecological function over formal land classification, imposed mining bans in Haryana, and repeatedly cautioned against exploiting definitional ambiguity.

Subsequent jurisprudence, including the T N Godavarman line of cases, further expanded environmental interpretation beyond narrow legal labels.

With the establishment of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) in 2010, enforcement increasingly relied on satellite imagery, slope analysis and landscape-level assessment, consistently treating the Aravallis as an integrated geo-ecological system. Legislative dilution attempts—most notably Haryana's amendments to the Punjab Land Preservation Act—were stayed on the principle that judicial environmental safeguards could not be legislatively undermined.

The Supreme Court's 2024 constitution of an expert committee was intended to bring clarity. However, the 2025 adoption of a 100-metre local-relief criterion marked a departure from established ecological reasoning. Scientific submissions, including those by the Forest Survey of India, indicated that only 8–10% of landforms historically and scientifically recognised as Aravalli meet this threshold.

Consequently, nearly 90% of the existing Aravalli landscape — low ridges, shallow hills and rocky outcrops — stands excluded from formal legal recognition despite incontrovertible ecological significance.

Mining, quarrying and landscape transformation

The Aravallis have been subjected to extensive mining, quarrying and urban encroachment, particularly in eastern Rajasthan, southern Haryana and the National Capital Region.

Damage is disproportionately concentrated in low ridges and pediment zones—landforms frequently rendered legally invisible despite their hydrological and ecological centrality.

Drone-based surveys in Bhilwara district reveal systematic illegal mining extending far beyond sanctioned lease boundaries. In the Samodi and Pansal Dang regions, mining operations spanned roughly 64 hectares against approved leases of only 11 hectares. Official extraction figures of 24.66 lakh and 38.09 lakh tonnes were starkly contradicted by drone-based estimates of 51.9 lakh and 67.5 lakh tonnes, indicating illegal removal of approximately 57 lakh tonnes from just two sites. State data further records 2,096 illegal mining cases between 2020 and mid-2025 across 20 districts, with Bhilwara alone accounting for 514 cases.

A satellite-based assessment by Alok Raj and Laxmi Kant Sharma (2022) documents that between 1975 and 2019, nearly 8% of the Aravalli hills—around 5,772.70 sq km—were lost to mining and urban expansion. Of this, 3,676 sq km degraded into barren land and 776.80 sq km into settlements. The authors estimate degradation at 0.57% annually and warn that as much as 22% of the Aravalli system could vanish by 2059 if prevailing trends persist.

International evidence from comparable landscapes

Global experience demonstrates that mining in ancient, low-elevation mountain systems inflicts disproportionate and often irreversible harm. At Rosia Montana in Romania, sustained international scrutiny halted open-pit mining in a fragile upland landscape. In Myanmar's jade-mining regions, extraction has triggered deforestation, landslides and livelihood collapse, while similar outcomes are documented in Malaysia's bauxite belts and vulnerable Pacific uplands. These cases teach us a central lesson: elevation is a poor proxy for ecological vulnerability.

Internationally, mountains are increasingly conceptualised as ecological infrastructure. UNEP promotes integrated watershed management and community-based conservation.

Greenland has imposed precautionary bans on uranium mining in sensitive uplands, while European and North American regulatory frameworks prioritise hydrological and ecological function over altitude alone—reflecting a growing consensus in favour of precautionary governance for ancient landscapes.

Classification of a mountain from the lens of policy

Today's debate about Aravalli Range is a classic case over how states govern ancient, fragile and functionally critical landscapes. Across jurisdictions, three broad governance paradigms recur: strict non-intervention, prohibition of commercial exploitation with regulated human use, and managed extraction under "sustainable development" frameworks.

The strict protection or near "no-intervention" model has been adopted where ecological systems are exceptionally old, slow to regenerate and central to wider environmental stability. The Galápagos Islands in Ecuador exemplify this approach: commercial mining, large-scale construction and extractive tourism are prohibited, not because humans are absent, but because ecological thresholds are irreversible once crossed. Similarly, Australia's protection of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area rests on the recognition that Precambrian and early Palaeozoic landscapes cannot recover on human time scales.

A second and more widely applicable model distinguishes sharply between human presence and profit-driven commercial intervention. The Andean páramo ecosystems of Colombia and Ecuador illustrate this approach. These high-altitude grasslands are legally protected from mining and oil extraction because they supply drinking water to major cities, even though pastoralism and indigenous land use continue.

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E-Bid for rate contract for procurement of Lab Reagents item are invited from Interested Bidders upto 13-01-2026 time 2.00 PM other Particulars of E- bid may be visited on the procurement portal (http://sppp.raj.nic.in or e- procurement portal http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in)

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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

NIT No. 412/IPD/ADCL/2025-26 (2nd Call) Dated: 03.01.2026

Name of Work: Request for Proposal (RFP) for Engagement of Project Management Consultant (PMC) for the Work of (I) Package XXXXX - World Bank and ADB Financed Amaravati Capital City Development Program Related "Survey, Investigation, Design, Construction, Testing, Commissioning of Flood Pumping Station-2 at Undavalli (Capacity 8400 Cusec) and 15 Years Operation & Maintenance on Lumpsum Contract (% Tender) Basis in Amaravati Capital City of Andhra Pradesh State, India; (ii) Package XXXXXIII: Engineering and Construction of Two-Lane Bridge Including Ship Lock and Regulator to Kondaveetivagu and Guntur Channel in Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh on Lumpsum (% Tender) Basis Including DLP of 2 Years. The above bid can be downloaded on AP e-procurement portal from 05.01.2026 to 19.01.2026 up to 15.00 Hrs. Due date for submission of Bid is 19.01.2026 up to 16.00 Hrs, Technical Bid opening is on 19.01.2026 @16.00 Hrs. For further details please refer to www.apeprocurement.gov.in and www.adcl.in

NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

ADCL invites Expression of Interest (EoI) from qualified and experienced Architectural Firms for providing architectural and allied professional services. EoI can be downloaded from 05.01.2026 @11.00 Hrs at https://adcl.in/ The last date for submission of EoI is on or before 12.01.2026 @16.00 Hrs. The Expression of Interest may be submitted in either electronic format (soft copy) or as an original hard copy.

Sd/- Chairperson and Managing Director, ADCL, Vijayawada

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No. BWCC/EE(TEC&SD)/TEND/CALL-2/02/2025-26 Date: 02.01.2026

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO COVER SYSTEM) CALL-2

(Through GOK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer, Traffic Engineering Cell, BWCC invites tender from eligible registered agencies in any state Govt. Organization for providing services mentioned in the Table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1.	Providing Towing vehicle complete on hire basis (Including vehicle, fuel, driver and maintenance of vehicle) for Bengaluru West City Corporation CALL-2. **Amount Put to Tender :Rs. 2,46,00,000/-, EMD :Rs.3,69,000/-**

Calendar of Events : (1) Last date & time for Queries (only through online) : **05.01.2026 upto 4.00 PM. (2)** Date and time of pre-bid meeting : **On 07.01.2026 upto 3.00 PM. (3)** Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders : **16.01.2026 upto 4:00 PM. (4)** Opening of Technical bid : **On 17.01.2026 at 11:00 AM** if possible next working day **(5)** Opening of Financial bid (If Possible) : **On 19.01.2026 at 4:00 PM if possible.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Traffic Engineering Cell, BWCC

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No:EE/MI&GWDD/Koppal/PB/TP/2025-26/4656 Dated:02-01-2026

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER

The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal district invites tenders from the eligible tenderers registered civil contractors as per standard bid documents KW-3 & KW-4 on KPP portal for 26 no. of tender works pertaining to Koppal district & Raichur district The Approximate amount for the mentioned works Ranges between Rs.45.00 Lakhs to 920.00 Lakhs. Two cover tender procedure as per rule 28 of the KTTP act shall be followed.

For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours and all information regarding tenders can be had from website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ The tender documents can be downloaded from the above website address on or after **05-01-2026** Last date & time for receipt of tender is **20-01-2026** time 17.30 hours, Pre bid meeting will be held on **12-01-2026**, 11.00 Hours at division office koppal, Date & time for opening of technical bid **22-01-2026** time 11.00 hours, date and time for opening of financial bid **23-01-2026** time 11.00 hours (If technical bid sanction is accorded by the competent authority).

Sd/-Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General public are hereby notified that, on behalf of our clients we are scrutinizing/investigating the marketable title of **(1)Sri.K.VASUDEV** S/o Sri.D.R.Kodandarama Reddy; his son **(2)Sri.V.MANJUNATH**; and **(3)Sri.K.SHIVARAM** S/o Sri.D.R.Kodandarama Reddy, both are residing at: No.103/2, First Floor, 9th Cross, Patel Lane, Domlur, Bangalore-560071, with respect to the Schedule Property.

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East by : Property bearing No.35 of Sri.K.Shivaram
West by : Kalidasa Marga
North by : R.Srinivasa Reddy's property
South by : 10 ft wide Common Passage

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North by : R.Srinivasa Reddy's property
South by : 10 ft wide Common Passage leading to Kalidasa Marga

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